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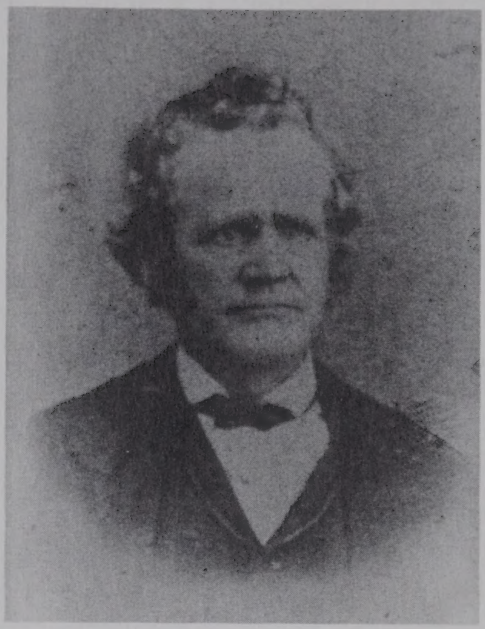

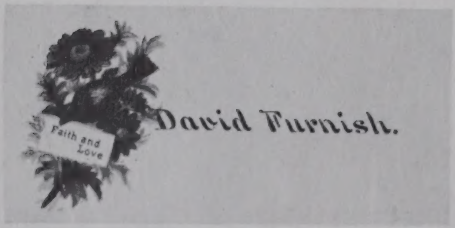
Faith and Love
David Furnish.

Dedicated to my father

CLYDE OTHO FURNISH

On his 90th Birthday

23 November 1976

&

MABEL FRANCES LOCHNER

my cousin who is

8 yr. 5 mo. 3 da.

younger than my father

PREFACE

I suppose the most obvious reason behind this venture is the fact that my grandfather, William Henry Furnish, was married twice and had children from both marriages. And I happen to be a descendant of the second marriage.

His first family all lived in Indiana and the second family in Michigan. To try and keep first and second cousins straight when they are as old or nearly as old as my parents was most difficult; especially as a child growing up. Further the cousins I knew so well in Michigan were around my age. And besides we didn't see the Indiana relatives that often. More often at funerals than any other time. We did keep in touch, however, through correspondence,

Approximately twenty years ago I decided to use a little notebook to keep each Indiana family straight and jotted down new births, weddings and deaths on the pages reserved for them, along with any other pertinent information that was of interest to me, so that when we next met I would be able to have the families correctly fixed in my mind without embarrassment.

So what started out as a device for my own information has turned into a book of utter amazement to me.

I finally started collecting diligently and our vacations for the past five years have deliberately, for the most part, centered around Indiana and Ohio relatives; where I could gather information from them, as well as their family Bibles, photo albums, and documents; the Fort Wayne Public Library, where I received much help; as well as various courthouses and cemeteries.

A great deal of correspondence has been done both here and abroad as well as many phone calls have been made which has all been time consuming as well as costly.

I believe I can honestly say I have a natural love of people and really enjoy knowing them personally. I have discovered that for the most part we are just the average, run of the mill, American family. I will cite one example here because it is so obvious: (1) I found relatives that were very eager and when they heard from me they became excited and sent material to me with their first reply and have consistantly fed new material to me as it came along without even my asking for more. (2) Those that had good intentions but laid it aside for a more convenient time, and sometimes it took a second or even a third letter, but eventually they came through. (3) Then there are those that let me know they were very busy but would get it to me real soon as they wanted a copy etc.; but after several letters have been non productive. (4) And finally the ones that could care less, and no doubt filed my letters in the waste basket as I never did hear from them, however, my letters were not returned so I assume they received them.

I ask only that if you fall into one of these last catagories and did not get your material to me that you not be upset when you see how much blank paper there is where your family is listed, and how full some of the other pages are.

I have not been searching for skeletons! The 'good book' tells us: "All have sinned and come short of the glory of God." (Rom. 3:23) and Jesus himself said: "You who are without sin cast the first stone." (John 8:7) I have been more intrigued by the accomplishments within the family; for instance the number of artists, teachers, doctors, nurses,as well as farmers there are in our family. For many years I have had the motto before me:

"What you are is God's gift to you,
What you become is your gift to God."

And I would like you to keep that thought in mind as you read this book and see what our offering to God has really been.

C. S. Lewis has so ably said: "Human beings look separate because you see them walking about separately. But then we are so made that we can see only the present moment. If we could see the past, then of course it would look different. For there was a time when every man was part of his mother, and (earlier still) part of his father as well: and when they were part of his grandparents. If you could see humanity spread out in time, as God sees it, it would not look like one single growing thing--rather like a very complicated tree. Every individual would appear connected with each other." We are a rather large part of that ancient ANCESTRAL TREE!

One of the highlights of my research was a trip to England. I accompanied my husband, who was attending an educational seminar sponsored by the Bishops of the United Methodist Church. We took one day off from lectures to visit Prudence Rodwell, one of the registered genealogists (with whom I had been in correspondence) for the county of Suffolk; her office being in Ipswich the county seat of East Suffolk. (Bury St. Edmunds is the county seat for West Suffolk.) I was able to ask and answer questions much more rapidly than had been the case in our correspondence. Mrs. Rodwell got some new insights and was able subsequently to trace marriages, births and deaths in the Parish Registers.

I would also like to apologize for errors, which I am sure you will find, both typographical and factual as well as grammatically (it has been a long time since grammar classes). But I would ask you to please send me your corrections, and I will correct a copy and keep it on hand. Perhaps if enough material comes in on you and your family I could put out a supplement eventually.

I owe a debt of gratitude to: my father, Clyde Furnish, and his niece, Mable Lochner, for the hours spent with me; answering my many questions; scouting graveyards and in supplying me with documents and pictures. Invaluable help was found in the Fort Wayne Public Library as well as many other libraries in Michigan, Ohio and Indiana. I appreciate the patience and courtesy of County Clerk's and Recorder's of Deeds, in courthouses too numerous to list, who have allowed me to go through old record books or have graciously sent certified copies of their records. Literally scores of relatives have spent many hours answering lengthy questionares and in editing and correcting early drafts of material compiled in this work. My grandmother, Ada Furnish, who left in her trunk an envelope of obituaries rolled in a little roll and tied with a black thread, protected in a little green metal tea can. To strangers, to me, who had heard of my search and deliberately did research for me (while working on their own genealogies) and mailed it to me, this was indeed a delightful surprise. To Mrs. Carolyn (Furnish) Jennett of Prairie Village, Kansas who contacted our family in search of members of her own. Her help has been greatly appreciated and the continued correspondence has been most rewarding even though as yet we have not been able to link the two Furnish families. And last but not least to my dear husband, Albert E. Hartoog, who helped me plan our vacations and worked diligently along with me and seemed to take delight in it; because at times I would become ecstatic over some new 'find' and he would often remark: "it sure doesn't take very much to make you happy does it?" He only grumbled a little when I took him into the 'catacombs' of courthouse basements because he is allergic to dust and molds. And then, bless his heart, he took it upon himself to do the proofreading and indexing which has been a laborious task, and I am most grateful.

(Mrs.) Vera (Furnish) Harris, Hartoog
Elkton, Michigan
November 1976

INTRODUCTION

Because I am a novice at compiling genealogies and have trouble following some of the more accepted methods, I have devised what seems to me (as well as others who have examined it) a rather workable formula. Some of it of course is not original.

The left hand column of the page is the direct descendant or "blood line" except for a few children that have been adopted into the family, which I have included. The right side of the page is the spouse of the direct descendant.

The numbering and abbreviations are as follows:

1) = David Furnish

2) = His children

3) = His grandchildren

4) = His g-grandchildren

5) = His g-g-grandchildren

6) = His g-g-g-grandchildren

7) = His g-g-g-g-grandchildren

b. = born

d. = died

m. = date married

1 m. = date of first marriage

2 m. = date of second marriage etc.

The name underlined (Sarah <u>Jean</u>) is the name the person used.

I have copied some biographical sketches verbatim as they were given to me and others I have edited.

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David & Mary Caroline (Davis) Furnish

Mary Caroline (Davis) Furnish

DAVID FURNISH

1) David Furnish

b. 19 Oct. 1805 Suffolk, England
m. 1832 England
d. 25 Dec. 1888 Spencerville, Ind.
cause: "Neuralga of the heart"(Coronary)
burial: White City Cem., Spencerville
church: Evangelical Lutheran
occupation: Farmer
baptised: 27 Oct. 1805 Redlingfield West Suffolk, England

m. Mary Caroline Davis

b. 27 July 1814 London, England
d. 18 Mar. 1887 Spencerville, Indiana
cause: "Stroke of Paralysis"
burial: White City Cem., Spencerville
church: Evangelical Lutheran
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of:

David Furnish was born and baptised in Redlingfield, West Suffolk, according to Hartismere Deanery. Since the early 1700's, at least, the Furnish family lived in Suffolk, on the mid-line between East and West Suffolk, and at times extending North to the Norfolk border, as three of David's brothers and sisters were baptised in the Beecles Parish which is on the Norfolk - Suffolk border.

David was the youngest of the six children recorded of Edmund and Mary (Mason) Furnish. He was the grandson of Richard and Jane (Mills) Furnish of Freesingfield, Bendingfield and Hoxne; and the great-grandson of William and Elizabeth ( ) Furnish of Bedingfield, all located in the above mentioned areas in Suffolk, England.

He married Mary Caroline Davis in 1832, as an excerpt from a letter written by their daughter, Margaret Jane (Furnish) Hollabaugh, to another daughter, Martha L. (Furnish) Grosh, at that time living at Ransom Center, Hillsdale Co., Michigan stated:

> "Nebraska City, Nebraska 10 December 1882"
> "Father wrote me what a nice time you all had at the Golden Wedding and while you were there did you cast a thought for the absent ones ? We have not had a line from any of you since."

At the time of both of their deaths however, the newspaper obituary clippings say they were married in 1833.

David Furnish is listed on "the REPORT and LIST of the PASSENGERS taken on board the BRIG GOSSYPIUM (a Brig was a two-masted square-rigged vessel) of GLOUCESTER." "Whereof L. CENTER is Master, burthen TWO HUNDRED and SEVEN tons, of PARAMARIBO to BOSTON." "Delivered on DECEMBER 16th, 1833." [1]

It is believed they followed the coast line of Africa, island hopping, then crossed the Atlantic to Paramaribo, South America, as their vessel was small, and the Atlantic is much narrower there, besides there was a Surinam Trade with North America. From Paramaribo they journeyed northward to the Boston Harbor, Massachusetts.

Mary Caroline was not listed among the passengers, in fact David was the only passenger listed, but we assume she was with him as their son, William Henry Furnish, was born the following September, just nine months after their arrival, and the wives and the children were often not listed, unless they were traveling alone, at that time.

Both of their obituaries also say they were the parents of eleven children, and the census sheets only show ten. They say six sons and five daughters; one son having preceeded them in death. According to the John Luther Furnish family, in Oregon, their first born was a son, named James, and that he was born and died in England. That being the case their sixth and last son they also named James.

SHIP REGISTERS OF GLOUCESTER, 1789-1875

GOSSYPIUM, brig, 207 59/95 tons; built Kennebunk, Me., 1810; length, 81 ft. 8 in.; breadth, 24 ft. 3 in.; depth, 12 ft. 1½ in.; two decks, two masts, square stern. Reg. June 11, 1811, "Temporary Register no. 44 issued, Boston, Feb. 22, 1811." William W. Parrott, William Pearce, William Pearce, jr., owners; Epes Sagent, jr., master. Reg. Mar. 11, 1815. Same owners and master. Reg. Oct. 26, 1822, William W. Parrott, William Pearce, William Pearce, jr., Samuel Pearce, George W. Pearce, owners; Bonaparte Toscan, master. Reg. Nov. 11, 1823, "Temporary Register no. 37 granted in New Orleans, May 10, 1823." Same owners and master. Reg. Dec. 21, 1827. William W. Parrott, Samuel Pearce, George W. Pearce, owners; Thomas J. Foster, master.

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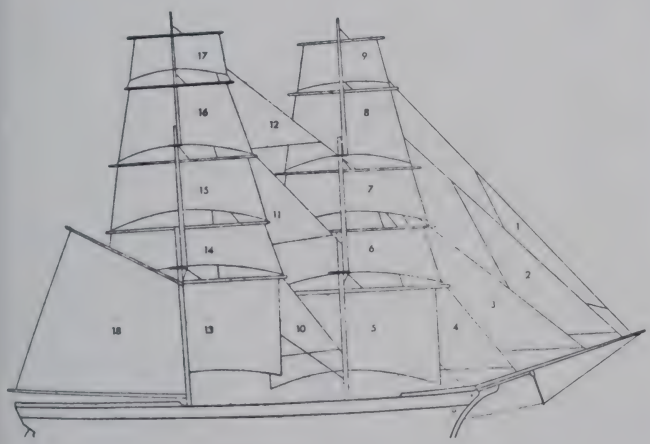

Brig
1 Flying jib
2 Outer jib
3 Inner jib
4 Fore topmast staysail
5 Foresail
6 Fore lower topsail
7 Fore upper topsail
8 Fore topgallant
9 Fore royal
10 Main topmast staysail
11 Main topgallant staysail
12 Main royal staysail
13 Mainsail
14 Main lower topsail
15 Main upper topsail
16 Main topgallant
17 Main royal
18 Trysail

RIGGING OF A BRIG

LIST OF PASSENGERS.

REPORT and LIST of the PASSENGERS taken on board the Brig Josephine **of** Gloucester whereof L. Center is Master, burthen two hundred and seven tons and $\frac{}{100}$ths of a ton, bound from the Port of Paramaribo for Boston

NAMES.	AGE.	SEX.	Occupation, Trade or Profession.	Country to which they severally belong.	Country of which they intend to become inhabitants.	Remarks relative to any thing that may have died or otherwise left the vessel during the voyage.
Maria Thomas	27	M	Farmer	England	U. States	

I L. Center do solemnly, sincerely, and truly swear, that the within REPORT and LIST, subscribed with my name, and now delivered by me to the Collector of the District of BOSTON and CHARLESTOWN, contains, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the names, age, sex, and occupation of all the passengers, together with the name of the country to which they severally belong, and that of which they intend to become inhabitants, which were on board the Brig Gossipium whereof I am at present Master, at the time of her sailing from the Port of Paramaribo of which have at any time since been taken on board said vessel. And I do likewise swear, that all matters whatsoever, in said Report and List expressed, are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, just and true.

SO HELP ME GOD.

Sworn before me, this Seventeenth *day of* December 1833

Signed, L. Center MASTER.

COLLECTOR.

Mem. 1039
Brig Gossipium, Center
Paramaribo.
[DECEMBER 16, 1833]
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L I S T O F P A S S E N G E R S

REPORT and LIST of the PASSENGERS TAKEN ON BOARD THE Brig Gossypium of Gloucester.

whereof: L. Center is Master, burthen two hundred and seven tons and 00 ths of a ton, of Paramaribo for Boston.

Name, David Furnish Age, 27 Sex, Male, Occupation, Trade or Profession; Farmer Country to which he severally belonged, England; Country of which he intends to become inhabitant, United States.

I L. Center do solemnly, sincerely, and truly swear, that the within REPORT and LIST, subscribed with my name, and now delivered by me to the Collector of the District of Boston and Charlestown, contains, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the names, ages, and sex, and occupation of all the passengers, together with the name of the country to which they severally belong, and that of which they intend to become inhabitants, which were on board the BRIG GOSSIPIUM whereof I am at present Master, at the time of her sailing from the Port of PARAMARIBO or which have at any time since been taken of board said vessel. And I do likewise swear, that all matters whatsoever, in said Report and List expressed, are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, just and true.

SO HELP ME GOD.

Sworn before me, this SIXTEENTH day of DECEMBER 1833

Signed, L. Center MASTER

B E COLLECTOR.

Man. 1039

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William was born in Massachusetts on 21 September 1834, and their third son, Thomas Edward, was born in New York on 9 August 1836. The remaining eight of their children were all born in Ohio, according to the 1850 and 1860 census sheets.[2]

The obituary of Thomas Edward Furnish says:

> "he was born in Buffalo, N. Y. Aug. 9, 1836. In 1841 he moved with his parents to Brookfield, Stark Co., and from there to Savannah, Ashland Co., in 1844. In 1860 Mr. Furnish came to Ind. and located near Spencerville."

The eldest daughter's obituary, Mary Ann, says she was born in Stark Co., Ohio, 13 July 1838. Their next child, Nancy Elizabeth, the newspaper clipping says was born in Clear Creek Twp., Ashland Co., Ohio. The next child John Luther, was born 19 July 1842 at Massillon, Ohio, (Stark Co.) Mary Ann's obituary says she moved to Clear Creek Twp., Ashland, Ohio, when she was six years old, with her parents.

I feel this is an error, that Nancy was born in Clear Creek Twp., and that instead she was born in Massillon, where John was born, as the information on John is from his Service Record in the National Archives. (Richland Co. then, became Ashland.)

Today Brookfield is in Trumbull Co., (organized in 1800,) and Massillon is in Stark Co., (founded in 1826.) From 1788 to 1888 the counties of the State of Ohio witnessed many boundary changes and alterations as governments pieced together a patchwork quilt design which now makes up the county structure. There were arguments over this matter before 1800. After the adoption of the State Constitution of 1851, the General Assembly snipped and shaped the counties until each had at least 400 square miles as prescribed by law. Washington county was the first to be erected in the Northwest Territory in 1788, and 65 years later, Noble county was the 88th and last to be organized.

In 1844 David moved his family to Clear Creek Twp. Clear Creek Twp., is now in Ashland Co., however it was created about 1818-1820 by the commissioners of Richland county and continued under that county's jurisdiction as a full-sized township, six miles by six miles, until Ashland Co. was organized in 1846, when the east two-thirds of Clear Creek and all of Orange became a part of Ashland county. Now Clear Creek township is four miles wide, east and west, and a little more than six miles long. It was near this border line that David and Caroline Furnish purchased twenty-five acres of land on 4 July 1849 from A. F. & Mary Jane Shaw, located in Section 15, Twp. 25 (Clear Creek), Range 17, being a part of the N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 15, in Ashland Co., Ohio. The amount "to them in hand paid" was $275.00.

Ten years later this same property was sold back to the Shaws for the sum of $1000. It was recorded 4 July 1860. This property has a branch of the Clear Creek running through the corner of it, and a spring still flows near where the buildings once stood, near the creek.[3]

After selling the land in Ohio, they moved on westward into Indiana, where on 1 July 1860 they purchased eighty acres of land in Jackson Twp., DeKalb Co., described as: E $\frac{1}{2}$ of S E $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 35, Twp 33 (Jackson,) Range 13. Recorded 1 Oct. 1863.[4]

David and his sons cleared the land and hewed the logs for their log cabins that preceded their lovely brick homes near Spencerville.

David was said to have been a hard worker, but very gentle and kind, and well liked. He also had some artistic ability, and did some painting. His granddaughter, Adella (Furnish) Lochner, for many years had a picture of a ship which he had painted on the round board from the end of a keg, while coming to America.

It says of him in his obituary:

1860

X

5 yrs

"Father Furnish was a consistent follower of Christ for over forty years, during which time he walked worthily before his family and the world, the Evangelical Lutheran church being his home. During the last eight years of his life he was a great suffer of bodily ills and pain, but bore it with Christian fortitude." [4]

"owing to an injury he spent several years almost helpless." [5]

"November 18, 1888 - father is sitting in his old arm chair as usual, he sits there day in and day out, he hardly gets out of the house unless he is helped out. Sometimes I think he has the patience of Jobe." [6]

"His final illness was brief, of only about forty hours duration, but in the midst of his affliction he gave the brightest evidence of his perfect trust in God, and resignation to his will. He was conscious to the last, and but a few minutes before his departure, he talked to his children, and after saying the following words, "Sweet Jesus, Sweet Jesus," he calmly fell asleep, and his spirit went into the presence of it's maker. He could have truthfully said as Paul of old did, "I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand; I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course I have kept the faith, henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the Righteous Judge shall give me at that day." [7]

"Father took sick on Sunday evening, before Christmas and died on Christmas day at three minutes before ten o'clock in the morning. He had neuralga of the heart on Monday, we sent you and all the rest of the family a dispatch concerning father and not hearing anything from you I did not know where to write to inform you of the sad news. We kept father until Friday, expecting some of his children, but none came. David Shearer and Will came, Ida did not get here until he had passed over the dark river. He was sensible until the very last, his suffering was great until a while before he passed away. Abe is appointed administrator he sent you a sale bill, he sent it to Fowler, so I will send you another one. J.M.F. [8]

"Ten children, many relatives and a large circle of friends mourn the loss of a father and a friend. The funeral services were held at the residence on Friday, December 28th, conducted by the Rev. J. Shaffer, and the body was consigned to its last resting place, buried beside his wife in the Spencerville cemetery, Dec. 28, 1888. [9]

His wife, Caroline, had died two years before, after fifty-three years of marriage. They had some sort of celebration for their fiftieth anniversary as Margaret had mentioned in her letter. [10]

"Mary Caroline Davis, was born in London, England, July 27th, 1814; married David Furnish in the year 1833 (1832) and departed this life, after a short illness, March 18th, 1887, aged 72 years, 7 months and 21 days." [11]

"Our dear beloved Mother has gone to her long awaited home to live with God in Heaven. Where sickness, sorrow, pain and death are felt no more. But where all tears are wiped away. Her illness was of short duration of sbout 14 hours. She took with paralysis at 6 o'clock Friday morning last and died at 8 o'clock on the evening of the same day. She was unconscious about 12 hours. Sisters Mary and Nancy and Will Shearer came out but to late to see Mother alive, will stay until Saturday." [12]

Her funeral took place on Sunday, March 20th at 2 o'clock in the afternoon at the house. The funeral sermon was preached by the Reverend J. Shaffer. His Text was: Rev. 7:13-17.

She too served the Lord for over forty years, and was consistent in the service of Christ, and with her husband served in the Evangelical Lutheran church, according to her obituary.

They were the parents of eleven children. Their first child, James preceded them in death. It is reported that he was born and died in England, an infant, the others were: William Henry, Thomas Edward, Mary Ann, Nancy Elizabeth, John Luther, Abraham Myers, Margaret Jane, James Madison, Martha L., and Ida Caroline Furnish.

"The following lines were written expressive of the grief of the bereaved husband:"

"Cold and white, upon it's bier
And with death-clothes covered o'er
Love lies dead and frozen here,
Dead, yes dead, for evermore.

Oh, I am too weak and faint
To remove it from its place
And yet here I must not stay
With that change upon its face.

What can I do, left alone!
With love gone, yes, gone for aye;
God in heaven, be kind to me
Lest I also freeze and die.

Bereaved Husband [13a]

David Furnish became a Naturalized Citizen of the United States on Monday morning August 25th A. D. 1856. Court of Common Pleas, Ashland County, Ohio. [13b]

IN MEMORY OF MOTHER FURNISH

Another dear mother has gone to rest,
To live with Jesus in the home of the blest,
Her chair is vacant, her voice is still,
Her form will be missed, look where you will.

The church has lost a good old mother
Whose place can be filled by none other,
Her gentle words, her kind embrace
Has left impressions that time will not efface.

Her days of suffering and affliction are o'er,
Her sighs of pain will be heard no more
God sent an angel down to bear her spirit away,
Where there is no night but eternal day.

She is now living in that mansion bright,
Where all is peace, and joy, and light,
But three short weeks ago (in church) we heard her say:
"I'm striving to live nearer Jesus, each day."

"Dear one," to you, who are sorely bereft,
She has to you a good example left,
Follow carefully the footsteps in the path she trod
Leading upward to glory and to God.

Wish her not back to this world of sin and woe,
But see to it, that where she is, you will all be prepared to go,
Then what a happy meeting, in heaven, there will be
When dear Mother's face you shall see.

by--(Mrs.) Lizzie Horn [14].

DAVID FURNISH FOOTNOTES

1. Roll # 7 Boston Harbor Passenger List. A Microfilm Publication. The National Archives of United States 1934.
2. Census in Clear Creek Township, Ashland Co., Ohio, 20th day of September 1850 & Census in Concord Twp. (now Jackson Twp.), DeKalb Co., Indiana on the 9th of July 1860.
3. Register of Deeds, Ashland Co., Ohio & 1874 Atlas of Ashland Co., Ohio.
4. Register of Deeds, DeKalb Co., Auburn, Indiana.

4b. Newspaper Obituary: "The Auburn Dispatch," Thursday, March 31, 1889.

5. History of Northeast Indiana Vol. II DeKalb Co., by Wm. H. McIntosh. The Lewis Publishing Co., Chicago and New York 1920.
6. Letter to William H. Furnish from James M. Furnish, dated 18 November 1888.
7. Newspaper Obituary same as 4b.
8. Letter to William H. Furnish from James M. Furnish, dated 13 February 1889.
9. Newspaper Obituary same as 4b.
10. Letter from Margaret (Furnish) Hollabaugh to Martha (Furnish) Grosh dated Nebraska City, Nebraska, December 10th 1882.
11. Newspaper Obituary: "The Auburn Dispatch," Thursday March 31, 1887 - page 1.
12. Letter to William H. Furnish from Martha (Furnish) Grosh, dated: Hursh, Indiana March 23, 1887.
13. Poem with M. Caroline Furnish's obituary - newspaper.

13b. Court of Common Pleas, Ashland County, Ohio, August 25, 1856.

14. Second Poem published in "The Auburn Dispatch," with obituary of M. Caroline (Davis) Furnish.

William Henry Furnish

Ada Esther Sawyer

Clyde - Earl and Effie Furnish

WILLIAM HENRY FURNISH

2) William Henry Furnish — 1. m. Eva Watson

b. 21 Sept. 1834 Massachusetts	b. 8 Dec. 1840 Spencerville, Indiana
m. 25 Jan. 1863	d. 8 Sept 1874 Spencerville, Indiana
d. 19 Jan. 1904 St. Johns, Mich.	cause: Tuberculosis
cause: Bright's Disease	burial: Watson Cem. on parents farm
burial: Sowles Cem. Maple Rapids, Mi.	church: Lutheran
church: Lutheran	occupation: Homemaker
occupation: Farmer/Teacher/Mail & Freight Carrier	dau. of: Charles & Rachel (Wyatt) Watson

William Henry Furnish was born in Massachusetts,[1] perhaps Boston, as his parents landed in the Boston Harbor on 16 December 1833, coming to the United States from England, and William was born the following September, just nine months later.

His parents kept moving westward, as his next brother was born in Buffalo, New York. From there they moved to Brookfield, Massillon and Savannah, all places in Ohio. They lived 16 years near Savannah, which is in Clear Creek Twp., Ashland, Co., Ohio. While living there Will attended Oberlin College. Their records show him enrolled in the Preparatory Department of the College, 1855-56. He was age 21 at the time.[2]

In 1860 he moved with his parents and the rest of the family, which now numbered to ten children, William, Thomas, Mary, Nancy, John, Abraham, Margaret, James, Martha, and Ida, to Spencerville, Indiana.

The 1860 Indiana Census has William listed as a School Teacher at age 25. He taught in both the Boots and the Lockwood Schools, in DeKalb Co. He taught winter terms, for six dollars per term. In the spring and summer he did farm work. He also taught organ and voice.

Feb. 1, 1862 he purchased 3 acres of land in the "NE Sec. 26, Twp. 33, Range 13," which is in Jackson Twp., DeKalb Co., from William R Howey for the sum of $125.00. The following year in January he and Eva Watson were married. They were married by Jacob Mauer, Justice of the Peace.

Eva was the daughter of Charles Watson, who was born in Jefferson Co., Ohio on 15 April 1815, and moved to Indiana in the year 1835, and Rachael Wyatt, who was born in Richland Co., Ohio on 31 July 1820 and moved to Indiana in the year 1837. Charles and Rachel were married 15 September 1839, by the Reverend J. T. Robe, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Fort Wayne. Their ten children were, Eva, Mary I, John, Mary II, (the first Mary died when one year old) Lydia, Nathan, Samuel, Jesse, Charles W. and James Watson. Both Will and Eva were the eldest of 10 children. Charles Watson died 4 August 1905, his wife Rachel died 9 March 1909.

May 12, 1865 Will sold the above mentioned 3 acres to James McNamore for $250.00. The 1880 Jackson Twp. map shows this 3 acres as a part of the farm then owned by Eva's parents. The Watsons were said to have given Will and Eva 5 acres of their farm as a present, which was on the corner of Stafford Rd., and Boots Rd., where they built a small frame house. Here Adella and Charles were born, however Charles only lived 6 months. When Adella was 5 years old she fell into the cistern, and Eva felt uneasy about living there any longer, so they moved to Kendallville. Here Francis (Frank) was born, and here Eva became ill with tuberculosis.

Her family urged them to move back to Spencerville and live with them so they could help take care of Eva as well as the children. Eva had a two year old son, Stephen Douglas, at the time they were married, whom Will adopted. So with a sick

1. 1850 Cenusu Clear Creek Twp., Ashland Co., Ohio 20th day of September 1850
2. Oberlin College Archives, Oberlin, Ohio 44074

wife and 3 small children they moved in with the Watsons. Eva died here in her parents home at age 34, leaving Will a widower at age 40. Doug was 13, Adella 6 ½ and Frank, 2 years and 8 months old. Eva was buried in the Watson Cemetery located on their farm, where a boulder marks her grave between the tombstones of some of the rest of the Watson family.

After Eva's death they continued to live with the Watsons, but on 12 October 1875 Will purchased a small piece of ground, 4 X 8 rods in the "S part of SW Sec. 14, Twp. 33, Range 12 for $183.32, from Michael Reeves, and then on 29 April, 1876 he sold it back to Rachael Ann Reeves for the same amount. It was located north of the Watson property, near the Israel Shearer Farm. He purchased this a year after Eva died, perhaps intending to build a house on it.

When the children were all in their teens, Will left them in the care of their grandparents, and their Uncle Charley and Aunt Lydia Watson,(unmarried children still living at home) and came to Michigan to find work, and for some unknown reason he only returned to Indiana once. In a letter dated "30 December 1952," Frank wrote to his half brother, Clyde Furnish, in Michigan, "I saw my father just once after he went up into Michigan. That was a long way them days." For a while Will did send some money and dress material to the children.

He found work in Michigan, near Bay City, working in the lumber camps. It was here that he became good friends with Bill Massey, who invited him to come home with him in the spring. It was while he was staying with him that he met and later married Ada Sawyer.

2) William Henry ~~Sawyer~~ Furnish

m. 6 Jan. 1885 St. Johns, Mich.

See information with 1st marriage

2. m. Ada Esther Sawyer
b. 13 Dec. 1865 Osseo, Michigan
d. 11 Dec. 1930, Shiawassee Co., Mich.
cause: Pneumonia
burial: Sowles Cem., Maple Rapids, Mi.
church: Disciples of Christ/Christian
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Amos Iral & Cynthia Bloomer (VanHousen) Sawyer

Will was a good looking man, according to his picture, and evidentally didn't look his age, as he told Ada he was 30, when he was actually 50. Ada was blind in her right eye since very early childhood; a strange coincidence, as his mother was blind in her left eye, and wore a prosthesis.

Ada was only 3 years older than his daughter Adella, who was married just two months after her father's remarriage, and just a few days after her 17th birthday. Ada and Will were married in St. Johns by the Reverend J. E. Richards.

Ada's father, Amos Sawyer, was born in Monroe Co., New York, coming to Michigan with his parents in the fall of 1845. He was born 5 April 1834, and died 3 January 1920, in Maple Rapids, Michigan. He enlisted in the Civil War, 13 August 1862, and served in Co. D. 18th Mich. Vol. Inft. and served in said regiment until September 1864 when he was taken prisoner and was held until the war closed and was honorable discharged June 1865.

Her mother Cynthia Van Housen was born in Hector, Thompkins Co., New York, 20 October 1834. Here she lived until 1855 when she moved with her parents to Granville, Michigan. On 27 September 1857 she and Amos Sawyer were married. They became the parents of 4 daughters, Viola G., Clarinda D., Ada E., and Darwinnie Sawyer, and an adopted son, Alfred E. Jeffers. They moved from Hillsdale Co., to Clinton Co., in 1874 and remained there as residents of the county including the village of Maple Rapids the rest of their lives.

Will worked at many and varied jobs, from farming to following the thrashing machine in the harvesting season. They lived 5 miles N. E. of St. Johns, where they built a small 4 room house on a 5 acre plot of ground they had previously purchased.

He was able to get a contract with the U. S. Postal Dept. to pick up and deliver mail and freight. He did this for many years, with his route becoming larger and larger. He was doing this before the first Rural Route experimental route began in Virginia in 1896. He received $1.00 per year from each of his customers for his service. (Some paid $.25 each quarter year). He did this with his horse and "Democrat Wagon." Sometime after the Virginia experiment proved a success, Will's route was taken over by the Postal Dept. and five routes were formed coming out of St. Johns. George Kelly took the largest part of Will's route, but parts of it went to two other carriers. The four other carriers delivering out of St. Johns were Decatur Bross, (formerly a school teacher, and taught Will's children in the Parkers School) John C. Hugus, Archie Chant and C. D. Caruss.

Will was in good health until the last two years of his life, when he suffered with a kidney disorder known as "Bright's Disease." Will and Ada lived all of their 19 years together in Clinton Co. To this union three children were born, Clyde Otho, Effie Millicent and Earl Alger Furnish.

Will died 19 January 1904, and the obituary in the paper stated he was 54 years old, he was actually 70, but Ada did not know his age until after his death and she corresponded more regularly with his daughter, Adella Lochner, in Indiana.

He died at his home 5 miles northeast of town at seven o'clock Tuesday evening. His funeral was held at the home Thursday morning at nine o'clock, burial was in the Soules Cemetery near Maple Rapids. The day of the funeral, Michigan experienced one of the worst blizzards in her history.

After her husbands death, Ada sold their home in the country, and bought another small home in Maple Rapids. Her eyesight continued to worsen, with a cataract formover her left eye. She finally sold the home in Maple Rapids and lived out her remaining years with her children. She died at the home of her eldest son, Clyde, who lived S. E. of Corunna on the Garrison Rd. She died of Pneumonia after being ill for a week.

Shortly after Ada's parents moved to Maple Rapids, she became a member of the Congregational Christian Church there. She attended both the Sunday School and the "Womans Home & Foreign Missionary Society," as well as Church. Will had taken an active part in the Lutheran Church in Spencerville, Indiana, and at one time had served as their Sunday School Superintendant. Both his parents and the Watsons were devout Lutherans.

Card of Thanks

"We wish to thank our many friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us during the last sickness and death of our beloved husband and father, also the choir and especially the lady who sent the knot of flowers."

Mrs. Ada Furnish
and Children

3) Stephen Douglas Furnish
b. 13 Apr. 1861 DeKalb Co., Ind.
m. 18 Dec. 1886 Leo, Ind.
d. 18 Aug. 1947 Garrett, Ind.
cause: Mesentery Thrombosis
burial: Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn, Ind.
church:
occupation: Carpenter

m. Sarah Louise McKinley "Lide"
b. 11 Aug. 1867 DeKalb Co., Ind.
d. 11 June 1961 Garrett, Ind.
cause: A.S.H.D/age 93
burial: Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn, Ind.
church:
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: William & ( )
McKinley

Stephen Douglas Furnish was named after Stephen A. Douglas, an American Statesman, styled "little giant" serving in the U. S. Senate at the time he was born; however he went by the name of Douglas rather than Stephen.

Doug and Sarah McKinley were married in Leo, Indiana, 18 Dec. 1886 by S. H. Currie. They lived in the area all of their lives. Doug was a carpenter, and built many homes in the vicinity, especially in the Garrett area. He also built a new home for his Uncle Charley Watson, on the farm where he had been raised. He also built a new home for his brother Frank at 814 Midway Drive in Auburn. The Auburn Courthouse records show that he and Sarah dealt quite a bit in real estate.

After he retired they bought 40 acres of land, one mile east of Hopewell and a quarter of a mile south, and built them a new home there.

He died in Sacred Heart Hospital in Garrett of mesentery thrombosis, and was buried on the 20th in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn, Indiana.

After her husbands death Sarah went to Garrett and lived with her son Milo. She had been in poor health for the past 10 days before entering the Garrett Convalescent Home on the 8th of June, she died on the 11th. She succumbed to complications of age. She had lived in Garrett for the last 14 years. She was buried from the Dilgard & Cline funeral home in Auburn. Her funeral was conducted at the funeral home at 10 a. m. Wednesday with the Reverend Jospeh Ferguson of near Auburn officiating. Burial was in Roselawn Cemetery, near Auburn on the 14th.

Doug and Sarah Furnish were the parents of 2 sons, Glen and Milo Furnish.

4) Glen Furnish
b. 9 May 1889 Coldwater, Mich.
m. 17 Oct. 1908 VanWert Co., Ohio
d. 19 Oct. 1918
cause: Influenza
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Lucy Rozena Budd
b. 1888
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of: Rev. Amos & Barbara E. (Hight)
Budd

Glen was born in Branch Co., Coldwater, Michigan. He died during Michigan's Flu epidemic. His funeral was conducted on the 22 October 1918 by the Reverend J. W. Furguson.

They were the parents of two children, Harold William and Vera Victoria Furnish

5) Harold William Furnish
b. 11 Apr. 1909
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Vera Victoria Furnish
b. 7 Nov. 1912
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

4) Milo Furnish
b. 9 Feb. 1895 Butler Twp. Ind.
m. 18 Sept. 1915
d. 3 Feb. 1964 Garrett, Ind.
cause: Cirrhosis of the Liver
burial: Roselawn Cem., Auburn, Ind.
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Railroad Engineer

m. Cora Burroughs
b. 16 Oct. 1895 Illionis
d. 22 May 1948
cause: Cancer
burial: Roselawn Cem., Auburn, Ind.
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of:

Milo Furnish was a resident of the Garrett area all of his lifetime. He was a retired reilroad engineer for the B & O Railroad. He died at the Garrett Community Hospital at 11:05 on Monday. He had been in failing health for 2 years and entered the hospital a week before his death. He succumbed to cirrhosis of the liver. His funeral was conducted at 2:00 p. m. on Thursday, with the Reverend Peter Soudah officiating, pastor of the Garrett Presbyterian Church. Burial was in Roselawn Cemetery on 5 February 1964.

Milo and Cora were the parents of 4 children, Stella Mae, Donald Eugene, Richard Lee, and Gladys Arlene Furnish.

5) Stella Mae Furnish
b. 19 Apr. 1916
m. 17 Dec. 1940
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. August Johnson
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Stella and August are the parents of 3 children, Stephen, John and Johnson.

6) Stephen Johnson
b.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) John Johnson
b.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Johnson
b.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. George Schewe
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son. of:

5) Donald Eugene Furnish
b. 1 June 1923
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Smith
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Richard Lee Furnish
b. 18 Feb. 1932
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
dau. of:

5) Gladys Arlene Furnish
b. 27 Aug. 1918 Garrett, Ind.
m. 1936 Garrett, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Darrell Thompson
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Tire Builder
son of:

Gladys and Darrell are the parents of 2 children, Norma Jean and Darrell DeWayne Thompson.

6) Norma Jean Thompson
b. 28 Sept. 1938
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Darrell DeWayne Thompson
b. 24 Oct. 1937
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

"There is never a life without sadness
There is never a heart free from pain;
If one seeks in this world for true solace,
He seeks it forever in vain.

So when to your heart comes the sorrow
Of losing some dear one you've known
'Tis the touch of God's sickle at harvest
Since He reaps in the fields He has sown."

From Funeral Card for Milo Furnish

Adella Furnish

Adella and Peter Lochner - 25th Wedding Anniversary picture 1910

Blanche Lester Vera Jay and Mabel Lochner

3) Adella Florence Furnish (Della)
b. 5 Mar. 1868 DeKalb, Co., Ind.
m. 12 Mar. 1885 Waterloo, Ind.
d. 2 Dec. 1949 Auburn, Ind.
cause: Coronary Thrombosis
burial: Leo Cemetery, Leo, Ind.
church: Auburn Methodist Episcopal
occupation: Homemaker

m. Peter Perry Lochner (Pete)
b. 8 Sept. 1861 Dekalb Co., Ind.
d. 17 Sept. 1939 DeKalb Co., Ind.
cause: Arthritis/Pneumonia
burial: Leo Cemetery, Leo, Ind.
church: Winona Lake Non-denominational & Auburn Methodist Episcopal
occupation: Farmer/Carpenter/Repairman
son of: Jacob & Mary (Wyatt) Lochner

Adella and Peter were married in Waterloo, Indiana, by the Reverend Samuel P. Klotz, V.D.M., pastor of the United Brethren Church. Adella was only 17 years of age, a very nice looking young lady with lovely auburn colored hair, and very petite. Peter was tall and dark featured, and nice looking also. Adella was a native of Jackson Twp., DeKalb Co., Indiana, and spent all of her life in that vicinity except for the thirteen years they lived at Winona Lake, in Kosciusko Co. (1916-1929) which was 52 miles from their farm home. During World War I the hotel there was converted into Army Barracks and Peter worked as a carpenter and general repairman, as well as served as a member of the "Town Board." He also operated the bowling alley at Winona Lake for Homer Rodeheaver and the Reverend Billy Sunday.

Adella seemed to have more than her share of heartaches and disappointments during her lifetime, but weathered them well without complaining.

Her mother died when she was only six and a half years old, her brother Francis (Frank) was only two years and eight months old, and her half brother Douglas was thirteen. All three children were reared by the Watsons, their mother's parents. As well as a maiden aunt and a bachlor uncle, Lydia and Charley Watson, who also lived at home. Her father stayed on and lived with them at the Watsons after his wife's death until the children were all in their teens, and then he left them in the total care of their grandparents, and went to Michigan to find work. The big disappointment was that the children only saw their father once after that. This was confirmed in a letter dated 30 Dec. 1952.

> "You know Clyde I never knew about you folks as I seen our Father just once after he went up into Michigan. That was a long way them days." "Frank." [1]

(In order for Will to make the trip he first walked into St Johns, which was five and one half miles, then took the train to Grand Rapids, and there he transferred to a train for Auburn, Indiana, and then walked or got a ride the best way he could the twelve miles to Spencerville.)

Adella was heartbroken when her father died, 19 January 1904, as he died at 7 o'clock on Tuesday evening and the messanger did not get to her house with the telegram until ten o'clock on Wednesday night, and the funeral was on Thursday. She wrote to her step-mother Ada:

> "It was pouring down rain when the messenger came at ten o'clock Wednesday night. It stated he would be buried Thursday if it had said Friday Abram Furnish and myself would have come. Did it rain there? It rained here Wednesday, Thursday and Friday then turned to snow. It is still snowing this Monday afternoon." "Della" [2]

(Michigan had a blizzard the day of the funeral).

Adella made plans again, this time to come on the 7th of April and wrote:

> "March 27, 1904....it just seems I cannot get over my grief and sorrow till I can come to see you all." From Adella". [3]

But then her grandmother Watson became ill with "overflow of the gall," [4] and she wasn't able to come, as her grandmother was not expected to live. (Her grandmother did recover and lived until 9 Mar. 1909). Her grandfather Watson was "very feeble and helpless as a child" the last 10 years of his life. He died 4 Aug. 1905

When ever her grandparents were ill, they wanted Adella by their side, and she felt guilty if she couldn't be there. At times it was very difficult as she had five small children of her own to care for, and they lived three and a half miles away. But Grandma Watson was the only mother she had known since she was six and a half. In spite of Lydia and Charles living at home they still needed Adella when they were sick. Speaking of Aunt Lydia and Uncle Charley she wrote:

> "they have 120 acres of land and are quite well fixed; but Frank and I signed off to Uncle Charley some time ago for $50.00 a piece, as our Ma's share, so we won't get anything more." [4]

At the time of her father's death, she and Peter were living on the Lochner Homestead, which they had bought. Adella wrote:

> "..we have 80 acres with good buildings but we owe $1000 yet but have stock enough and if we do not have bad luck will get out all right." [5]

Times were hard then, they worked very hard; in fact that spring they "opened the sugar camp and made 35 gallons of Maple Syrup." They used to have between two and three hundred trees tapped, and sold the syrup for $1.oo per gallon. "Eggs are only selling for 12¢ a dozen."

In 1915 they built a new barn on the Lochner Homestead, and Adella did the cooking for ten men. They kept the farm until 1934 when they sold it to Adolph Westrick. They lived on it one more year then moved to a neighboring farm. December of 1935 Peter became ill, his condition progressively worsened until 17 September 1939 when he died.

On 12 March 1935 they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary, rather quietly. For their 25th it was different. Even the Michigan relatives were invited to come and help them celebrate on Saturday, 12 March 1910, at 10 o'clock a. m. at their home in Jackson Twp. Ada and her three children could not come, but sent a sterling silver teaspoon, with a gold inlay of the map of Michigan in the bowl of it. With the anniversary invitation was a letter telling of "the great revival we had at Spencerville this winter with 103 conversions. David and Paul Furnish were among the number." [6]

Adella made plans many times to visit her step-mother and her two half-brothers and one half-sister, but she was always disappointed, because of bad weather, or sickness in the family. Though Adella and Ada corresponded they really never met. But she did finally get to Michigan, thanks to her cousin David Grosh and his family. The Groshes had a friend drive them to Michigan in August of 1933, and they brought Adella with them. It was a real delight to finally meet her two half-brothers, Clyde then 47 and Earl 41. Adella was 65. For some reason their sister Effie was not able to come. It was a great meeting, and the relationship continued to grow down through the years. Clyde had corresponded with Vera and Mabel since they were in

their teens, as they were near the same age.

Adella was able to come again to Michigan with her son Jay Lochner, and cousin David Grosh in 1935. Effie was ill at the time, with cancer, but she did finally get to meet her. (Effie died 14 July 1935.) Her last trip to Michigan was in August of 1940, when she and her daughter Blanche came with her granddaughter and her husband, Wilma and Dee Steininger. After returning home she wrote (Sept. 1940:

> "P. S. Vie did you see a $ under a plate? B. and I remembered you. Get yourself something you like from your sister and niece. Blanche and Me". [7]

Peter was the son of Jacob and Mary (Wyatt) Lochner. Jacob homesteaded on what is now County Road 68 near the Hopewell Community. In 1874 he built a lovely brick house, but they had only lived in it for one year when Mary died. She was born in 1850 and died 22 October 1876 at age 26. Her father was Thomas Wyatt, a brother of Rachael (Wyatt) Watson. Some time later Jacob married an Amish woman.

Adella and Peter resided for 27 years on the Lochner Homestead, and 14 years on neighboring farms. Peter farmed and did carpentry work. In 1905 he was elected Trustee of Jackson Twp. and served for four years. He belonged to the Democratic Party and actively participated in it. He suffered much with arthritis, and was ill for 33 months and was a helpless cripple at the time of his death. To add to Adella's "lot in life" her daughter, Mabel, and son,Jay,and his family were in an auto accident on 21 June 1938, when another car hit them broadside. Mabel was hurt quite badly. So for many months Adella carred for the two of them, and carried meals to them three times a day. She did not complain, she just asked for results.

After Peter died in 1939, Adella and her two daughters, Vera and Mabel, went to live with her Uncle Charley Watson, back where she had been reared. They remained with him until the first of March 1941 when they moved to Auburn on E. 7th St. Here Vera became ill with endocarditis in April of 1943, and was bedfast until she died in December. The following March they moved on 6th St. and lived there until October when they moved upstairs over her granddaughter and her husband, Wilma and Dee Steininger. They were happy there until 26 February 1945 when their apartment caught on fire. So in March of that year they bought a small white frame house at 1006 N. Cedar, in Auburn.

While living here, on 2 Dec. 1949, Adella said to her daughter Mabel, "I'm tired , I think I will retire." She went to bed and the Lord took her home to be with Him, without a struggle. She had worked hard, she had kept the faith, her heartaches were over, and now reunions were in order.

Her funeral was conducted by the pastor of the Methodist Church in Auburn, the Reverend C. C. Collins. Arrangements were made by the Gerig Funeral Home in Auburn. Her funeral was on Monday at 2 p. m. burial was in the Leo Cemetery, Leo, Indiana.

Adella and Peter Lochner were the parents of five children, Grace Blanche, Lester Virgil, Vera Mary, Jacob Jay, and Mabel Frances.

1. Letter from Frank Furnish to Clyde Furnish dated 30 December 1952.
2. Part of letter from Adella Lochner to Ada Furnish not dated.
3. Letter dated 27 March 1904 from Adella Lochner to Ada Furnish.
4. Letter dated 27 April 1904 from Adella Lochner to Ada Furnish.
5. Ibid
6. Letter dated 16 Feb. 1910 from Adella Lochner to Ada and boys.
7. Letter from Adella Lochner to Violia and Clyde Furnish dated 9 September 1940.

4) Grace Blanche Lochner
b. 8 Dec. 1885 Jackson Twp., Ind
m. 8 Feb. 1913 Hillsdale, Mich.
d. 4 Feb. 1960 Auburn, Ind. R#2
cause: Stroke
burial: Roselawn Cem., Auburn, Ind.
church: Meese Chapel (Methodist)
occupation: Homemaker/Piano Teacher

m. John Lewis Weaver
b. 15 Nov. 1886 Jackson Twp., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Meese Chapel (Methodist)
occupation: Farmer
son of: John S. & Clara (Cool) Weaver

Blanche Lochner was born in DeKalb Co, and was a life-long resident of that area. She attended the local schools and studied music at Angola Tri-State Normal, finishing in April of 1904. She started teaching piano with 17 pupils her first summer, and taught for 13 years. She was the pianist at the Meese Chapel Methodist church for 40 years. In fact she suffered her first stroke while playing the church piano on Sunday 10 January 1960.

She married John Weaver 8 February 1913 in the Methodist Parsonage in Hillsdale, Michigan. They were married by the Reverend Conner.

John was one of five children, the son of John S. and Clara (Cool) Weaver. His grandmother, Clara Cool's mother was Sarah Wilson and first cousin of Woodrow Wilson (1856-1924) 28th President of the U. S. (1913-1921).

Blanche and John lived on a farm south of Auburn, and were the parents of two daughters, Wilma Laverne and Ermel Dawn Weaver.

Blanche's life evolved around her family and her church. She was a charter member of the Meese Chapel "Womens Society of Christian Service." John did not attend regularly until after Blanches' death. At 74 he had a change of heart and enjoyed the fellowship of the church. At 85 he still drove his car to church and to the barbershop, and close friends and relatives in his area. But in November 1973 his daughter Ermel came home from work and found him sitting on the porch, hemorrhaging with a perforated ulcer. He was rushed to the hospital where emergency surgery was done. He recovered, but it has been a slow process. He walks with a cane and now he and Ermel live in Auburn. In his earlier days he had done general farming.

Blanche died at her home on the Cemetery Road, at 6:25 p. m. Thursday, she suffered another stroke. Her funeral was conducted at the Meese Chapel church at 2 p. m. Sunday with the pastor, the Reverend John Dicken of Auburn officiating, burial was in Roselawn cemetery, near Auburn. Gerig funeral home in Auburn were in charge.

John Weaver served as a Trustee of Jackson Twp. for 2 terms (8 yrs.) On his 90th Birthday (1976) all his family except grandaughter Marilyn & family from British Colombia same to see him. He uses a walker but his general health is good.

5) Wilma Laverne Weaver
b. 30 Oct. 1913 Jackson Twp. Ind.
m. 6 Jan. 1935 Leo, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist/Missionary
occupation: Homemaker/Bookkeeper

m. Dee Gilbert Steininger
b. 14 Aug. 1912 Cass Co., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Nazarene/Missionary
occupation: Printer/Farmer
son of: Forrest & Viola (Lusher) Steininger

Wilma graduated from Auburn High School in 1931. She then went to work at Gerig Furniture, as a Bookkeeper. She and Dee Steininger were married on a Sunday morning at 8:30 o'clock in the Meese Methodist Chapel parsonage in Leo, Indiana, by the Reverend Walter M. Hollopeter.

Dee was employed at the Auburn Printing Co. at the time they were married. In 1946 he went into business for himself, and was self employed until 1968, except for 3 years. He does Job Printing exclusively, and now has his "hobby" at home. He has a printing shop built on the back of his garage.

December 21, 1952 Wilma was striken with Polio. She was taken to Lutheran Hospital in Ft. Wayne, where a tracheostomy was performed, and she was put into a Iron Lung, and only because of a miracle survived. Faith in God, perserverance, determination, prayer, with alot of hard work through rehabilitation centers, she is able to do her own housework, drive a car, and help Dee with his hobby. She does have some difficulty climbing stairs. Her five children ranged from 16 to 4 years at the time she was striken.

When they lived in Auburn they attended the Church of the Nazarene, but since buying and moving to their 80 acre farm they now attend the Grabill Missionary Church, near their present home. They have taught Sunday School, and served in various church offices, they both enjoy gardening, and preserving the "fruits of their labor." Dee enjoys raising sheep and in 1973 dug a lovely pond on their farm.

They are the parents of 5 children, Carmen Louise, Marilyn Sue, Rita Jean, James Dee and Ruth Anne Steininger.

6) Carmen Louise Steininger
b. 23 Feb. 1936 Auburn, Ind.
m. 15 Aug. 1959 Auburn, Indiana
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Nazarene
occupation: Homemaker/Teacher

m. Edwin Lowell Bateman
b. 15 Nov. 1934
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Nazarene
occupation: Teacher
son of: Rev. Kenneth & Ruth ( )
Bateman

Carmen Steininger graduated from Leo High School, Indiana University Extension, attended Fort Wayne Bible College, 2 yrs. She has her B. S. Degree in Elementary Education, from Olivet Nazarene College, Kankakee, Illionis, and her B. A. Degree from Ball State Teachers College, Muncie, Indiana. She teaches at Mary Frank School near South Bend, Indiana.

Edwin Bateman graduated from high school in South Bend, Indiana. He has his B. S. Degree from Olivet Nazarene College, and his M. A. Degree from Ball State University. He is Music Education Teacher near South Bend.

Carmen and Edwin Bateman were married in the Auburn Church of the Nazarene, by Edwin's father, the Reverend Kenneth Bateman, he is a Nazarene minister but not of the Auburn church. Carmen and Edwin are members of the Nazarene church in South Bend,Ind. They live in Granger, Indiana.

They are the parents of three children, Keith Eric, Randall Lee, and Dawn Renee Bateman.

7) Keith Eric Bateman
b. 2 Oct. 1960 South Bend, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Nazarene
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

7) Randall Lee Bateman
b. 5 Oct. 1963 South Bend, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Nazarene
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

7) Dawn Renee Bateman
b. 16 Jan. 1965 South Bend, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Nazarene
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Marilyn Sue Steininger
b. 6 Dec. 1937 Jackson Twp., Ind.
m. 12 Jan. 1957 Grabill, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Missionary
occupation: Homemaker

m. Loren Lee DeLong
b. 25 June 1937 Antwerp, Ohio
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Missionary
occupation: I. B. M.
son of: Lester & Myra (Garrell) DeLong

Marilyn Steininger graduated from Leo High School, Leo, Indiana. In 1975 she and Loren DeLong were married in the Grabill Missionary Church. They were married by his brother, the Reverend Leroy DeLong and the Reverend Vernon Petersen, pastor of the church.

Lorén was in the 122 Air Tactical Force, Air Over Seas National Guard. He enlisted in the Reserves at 17 and was called for the Berlin Crisis, Metz, France. He visited St. Peter's Basilica, and was there when the Pope gave his blessing to the people. He also had the privilege of sleeping in a Monastery, and the distinct honor of sleeping with a Monk.

Because of Loren's position with I. B. M. they have lived in various places: Auburn, Ind.,Lansing, Mich., Detroit, Mich., West Hurley, N. Y. and in 1973 they were moved to Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

Loren graduated from Riverdale High School, in DeKlab Co., Ind. and has had on the job training with I. B. M. in various places from Houston, Texas to Tokyo.

Marilyn is a good mother and wife, she enjoys being a homemaker, she loves to cook, she does floral arrangeing, has been a Den Mother, worked in 4-H, is active in church work, and Home Prayer groups, likes to skate, ski, golf and fishing.

They are the parents of three children, Kenneth LeRoy, Kerry Lee, and Wendy Sue DeLong.

7) Kenneth LeRoy DeLong
b. 28 Dec. 1957 Fort Wayne, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Missionary
occupation: High School Sr. 1976

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Kenneth DeLong is a good student, and likes sports.

7) Kerry Lee DeLong m.

b. 5 Nov. 1958 Auburn, Ind.	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church: Missionary	occupation:
occupation: High School, Jr. 1976	dau. of:

Kerry is a fun sort of person, he enjoys fishing.

7) Wendy Sue DeLong m.

b. 20 Dec. 1961 Auburn, Ind.	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church: Missionary	occupation:
occupation: 8th grade, 1976	son of:

Wendy has won high ribbons in 4-H, sewing and knits. She sings in the Church Choir.

6) Rita Jean Steininger
b. 1 Sept. 1941 Jackson Twp., Ind.
m. 28 Dec. 1963 Grabill, Indiana
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Missionary
occupation: Homemaker

m. Norman James Schindler
b. 7 Mar. 1942 Allen Co., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Missionary
occupation: Construction
son of: Adolph & Joy (Hamm) Schindler

Rita Steininger graduated from Leo High School, Leo, Indiana. And attended Manchester College for 2 years, and Purdue Extension. She is active in church activities and especially likes working with the pre-school age. Her hobby is Decoupage, which has become a paying occupation.

Norman attended Purdue University for a short time, he worked for the railroad for a short while, and then Indiana Structural Steel, and for the past few years has been working for a building contractor.

They were married in the Grabill Missionary Church by the Reverend James Johnson, and are the parents of two sons, Erik Jon, and Tyson Jevon Schindler.

7) Erik Jon Schindler
b. 15 Feb. 1965 Fort Wayne, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Missionary
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

7) Tyson Jevon Schindler
b. 10 June 1968 Fort Wayne, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Missionary
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) James Dee Steininger
b. 23 Oct. 1942 Jackson Twp., Ind.
m. 4 Oct. 1964 Urbana, Ill.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Missionary
occupation: Printer

m. Shirley Ann Coad
b. 19 Dec. 1942 Urbana, Ill.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Wesleyan Methodist/Missionary
occupation: Homemaker/Beautician
dau. of: Clifford & Geraldine (Chapman) Coad

Jim graduated from Leo High School, Leo, Indiana, he attended Southern Illionis University for 2 years, mayoring in Printing. He is employed at Doty Litho in Fort Wayne, in Production Control.

He married Shirley Coad in the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Urbana, Illionis. They were married by the Reverend Larry Lawrer in 1964.

Shirley graduated from Southern Illionis University School of Cosmetology, and enjoys gardening, cooking and sewing. Family legend clains John Chapman (Johnny Appleseed (1775?-1847), the famous American pioneer, famous for establishing orchards in the Middle West.

Jim and Shirley are members of the Grabill Missionary Church where they take an active part. They are the parents of two children, Amy Marie and Julie Anne Steininger. In 1973 they built a lovely new home near Jim's parents.

7) Amy Marie Steininger
b. 29 Jan. 1968 Fort Wayne, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Missionary
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) Julie Anne Steininger
b. 18 Feb. 1974 Fort Wayne, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Missionary
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Ruth Anne Steininger
b. 26 Jan. 1948 Jackson Twp., Ind.
m. 27 June 1970 Grabill, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Missionary
occupation: Homemaker/Teacher

m. Alan Eugene Marvel
b. 24 Oct. 1947 Fort Wayne, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Missionary
occupation: Restaurant Manager
son of: Donald & Barbara (Hayes) Marvel

Ruth Anne Steininger graduated from Leo High School, Leo, Indiana in 1966. She received her B. A. Degree in Elementary Education from Manchester College, North Manchester, Indiana. She taught in Auburn, Indiana for 2 years, and is working on her M. A. Degree at Indiana University.

Ruth Anne and Alan Marvel were married in the Grabill Missionary Church, Grabill Indiana, by the Reverend Donald Gerig in 1970.

Alan graduated from Peoria High School, Peoria, Illionis. He has his B. S. Degree from Purdue University in Social Studies. He did work for Farm Bureau, in Fort Wayne in Insurance, but now is manager of a Restaurant Chain known as "Azar".

They are the parents of one son, Brian Andrew and a daughter Jennifer Ann Marvel.

7) Brian Andrew Marvel
b. 14 Aug. 1972 Fort Wayne, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Missionary
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

7) Jennifer Ann Marvel
b. 23 June 1976
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Ermel Dawn Weaver
b. 25 Jan. 1917 Jackson Twp., Ind.
m. 28 Nov. 1936 Auburn, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist/Roman Catholic
occupation: Homemaker/Bookkeeper

m. Bernard Leo Drerup
b. 24 Feb. 1914 Jackson Twp., Ind.
d. 22 Oct. 1940 Dayton, Ohio
cause: Poliomyelitis
burial: Auburn Catholic Cemetery
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: Salesman
son of: ~~Benjamin~~ Bernard & Ursula (Mountz) Drerup

Ermel graduated from Auburn High School in 1934. She and Bernard Drerup were married 28 November 1936 in the Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church in Auburn, by the Reverend Leo Franz, pastor. Bernard was a salesman for a Catholic Religious publication. He was striken with polio while in Dayton, Ohio, and died a short while after. They had been married only four years, and it had been a good marriage. He was buried in the Auburn Catholic Cemetery.

Ermel took their three children and went back to live with her parents, Blanche & John Weaver, and in 1942 began working for the Frazer Farm Equiptment Co. on S. Wayne St. in Auburn and is head bookkeeper there now. After the children were married and away from home she continued to look after her father, (her mother had died in 1960). In the early 1970's she purchased a nice home in Auburn, from her mother-in-law, and in 1973 moved into it. Her father lives with her now, and rents his farm out.

Ermel has been privileged to make to trips abroad; one to the Holy Land and in 1975 took a Pilgrimage to Rome, Paris, Lourdes in SW France and to Lisbon, Portugal.

To this union three children were born, Bernard Leo, Mary Regina and Ann Elizabeth Drerup.

6) Bernard Leo Drerup
b. 21 Dec. 1937 Jackson Twp. Ind.
m. 27 Oct. 1962 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: Civil Engineer

m. Eleanor Pengelly
b. 30 Nov. 1941 Jamaica
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: Homemaker/Teacher
dau. of: Geo. Keith & Winifred (Campbell) Pengelly

Bernard Drerup was born at home, in Jackson Twp., He graduated from Auburn High School and in 1959 he graduated from Dayton Ohio University with a Degree in Civil Engineering. He works for the Indiana State Highway Dept., building bridges and roads. He enjoys playing Chess, and family recreation things.

Eleanor was born in Jamaica. She received her B. S. Degree in Education from St. Francis College, Ft. Wayne. She teaches 7th and 8th grades in the Prairie Hill School, Ft. Wayne. She is an accomplished pianist, and she and Bernard both enjoy good music.

They were married in The Precious Blood Catholic Church in Ft. Wayne. They were married by the Reverend Leonard Fullenkamp. They attend St. Vincents Catholic Church.

They have a lovely home out of Huntertown, Indiana and are the parents of four children, and expecting the fifth in May 1976. Their children are, Angela Marie, Bernard Charles, Michelle Kaye and Janis Elizabeth Drerup. Number five arrived and was named Zachariah Paul Drerup.

7) Angela Marie Drerup
b. 29 Jan. 1964 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) Bernard Charles Drerup
b. 20 Feb. 1966 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

7) Michelle Kaye Drerup
b. 21 Jan. 1968 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) Janis Elizabeth Drerup
b. 7 Nov. 1970 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) Zachary Paul Drerup
b. 21 Apr. 1976
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
of:

6) Mary Regina Drerup m. Richard Louis Ort
b. 17 Dec. 1938 Jackson Twp., Ind.(home) b. 1 Sept. 1938 Keiser Twp., Ind.
m. 28 June, 1958 Auburn, Ind. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church: Roman Catholic
church: Roman Catholic occupation: Zollner Corp. (Piston)
occupation: Homemaker/Beautician son of: Burt & Dora (Clark) Ort

Mary graduated from Auburn High School, and from Warner Beauty College, Ft. Wayne. She owns her own Beauty Shop on N. Main in Auburn.

Mary and Richard Ort were married in The Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Auburn, 28 June, 1958, by the Reverend Matthew Lange.

Richard graduated from Garrett High School and works in Ft. Wayne at the Zollner Corp. They make pistons.

They are a hobby family, they have a boat, and belong to the Ft. Wayne Boat Club, they also like to bowl and do things with their family. They live in Auburn, where they bought a lovely older home, and enjoy the spaciousness of it. They attend church where they were married, in Auburn.

They are the parents of three children, Michael David, Richard Louis, and Gina Maria Ort.

7) Michael David Ort m.
b. 11 Feb. 1962 Auburn, Ind. b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: Roman Catholic occupation:
occupation: dau. of:

7) Richard Louis Ort, Jr. m.
b. 28 Feb. 1963 Auburn, Ind. b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: Roman Catholic occupation:
occupation: dau. of:

7) Gina Maria Ort m.
b. 23 Mar. 1972 Auburn, Ind. b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: Roman Catholic occupation:
occupation: son of:

6) Ann Elizabeth Drerup
b. 20 May 1940 Keyser Twp., Ind.
m. 30 Dec. 1961 Auburn, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: Art Teacher/Homemaker

m. Peter Joseph Case
b. 29 July 1941 Keyser Twp., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: Plant Manager
son of: Leo & Leona (Lemish) Case, Sr.

Ann Drerup was born at home, in Keyser Twp., Ind. She graduated from Auburn High School, and received her B. A. Degree in Elementary Education from St. Francis College Ft. Wayne. She is in charge of the Art Work at the Bishop Swenger High School in Ft. Wayne, a parochial school. She has found her "niche" and really loves her work.

Peter graduated from Harlan High School. He is Plant Manager for International Harvester, Ft. Wayne.

Ann and Peter Case were married in The Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Auburn, 30 Dec. 1961, by the Reverend Matthew Lnage. They attend St. Vincents Catholic Church in Ft. Wayne.

They are the parents of four children, Julianne Marie, Patricia Anne, Mary Louise, and Gregory John Case.

7) Julianne Marie Case
b. 4 Apr. 1963 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) Patricia Anne Case
b. 4 Apr. 1964 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) Mary Louise Case
b. 4 Apr. 1965 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Mary Louise Case is a victim of myopia (near sighted) as a result of her mother having the 3-day measles in the early stages of her pregnancy. She attends a regular school however, and is a streight A student. She is eleven at this writing and has learned to ride a bicycle, she is a very special child.

7) Gregory John Case
b. 10 Nov. 1969 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

John & Blanche (Lochner) Weaver
Wedding Picture Feb. 8, 1913

4) Lester Virgil Lochner
b. 6 June 1887 Jackson Twp., Ind.
m. 22 June 1921
d. 21 Sept. 1953 Auburn, Indiana
cause: Cancer/Enlarged Heart
burial: Leo Cemetery, Leo, Ind.
church:
occupation: Auto Mechanic/Electricial

m. Marie Genevieve Meyer
b. 13 Jan. 1884 Ft. Wayne, Indiana
d. 26 Sept. 1966 Ft. Wayne, Indiana
cause: Cancer of the liver
burial: Ft. Wayne, Ind.
church: Roman Catholic
occupation:
dau. of:

Lester Lochner lived most of his married life in Ft. Wayne, the last seven years he lived with his mother and sister at 1006 N. Cedar St., Auburn, where he died at 11:15 a. m. Monday. His death was caused from cancer of the stomach, enlarged heart, and an aneurysm above the heart. His funeral was held at the Gerig funeral home at 2 p. m. on Thursday with the Reverend M. B. Knisel, minister of the Hopewell United Brethren church officiating. He had been ill for the last two years, the last four weeks he was seriously ill.

Lester and Mary Elizabeth Meyer (in her later years she had her name changed to Marie Genevieve) were married 22 June 1921, for the last several years they had been separated. She was a lifelong resident of Fort Wayne. She was a member of St. Patricks Roman Catholic church in Ft. Wayne. Her funeral was at 8:30 a. m. Wednesday at the Mungovan & Sons Mortuary and at 9 a. m. in St. Patrick's Catholic Church, with the Reverend Edward A. Miller officiating. She died in the Lutheran Hospital there.

Lester was a member of the Eagles lodge.

To this union no children were born.

4) Vera Mary Lochner
b. 26 Apr. 1890 DeKalb Co., Ind. 5 Min before midnight Suntime.
m. She never married
d. 10 Dec. 1943
cause: Endocarditis
burial: Leo Cemetery, Leo, Indiana
church: Auburn Methodist
occupation: Clerk

Vera Lochner was born in Jackson Twp., DeKalb Co., Indiana. She graduated from the eighth grade at the Annual Commencement of the Concord Township Schools and Jackson Township Schools, Wednesday evening, June 14th 1905 at 7:30 p. m. She was from District No. 8, Jackson Township, her father P. P. Lochner, was one of the Trustees of Jackson Township at the time. Vera gave an Oration entitled "Ancient and Modern Oratory." She attended Auburn High School but quit in the 10th grade, and worked out doing housework. She worked in the Commissary at Winona Lake for a while during World War I, when the Hotel there was made into Army Barracks, but she got the flu and had to leave. She worked in McBrides Department Store for 22½ years and also clerked in the Boston store, both in Auburn.

Vera never married even though she had dated one local young man for eight years. Their fathers were political rivals, and this may have been a hindrance.

She lived at 519 East 7th St., in Auburn at the time of her death. She had resided in Auburn for the past 23 years. She was a member of the Auburn Methodist Church.

She had been confined to her home the last seven months, death was caused from endocarditis. Her funeral was held at the Hopewell Church in Jackson Twp., on Friday p. m. at 2 o'clock. The Reverend H. A. P. Homer, pastor of the Auburn Methodist Church conducted her funeral. Gerig funeral home was in charge.

4) Jacob Jay Lochner
b. 1 July 1892 Jackson Twp., Ind.
m. 1 Aug. 1913 Hillsdale, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Carpenter/Farmer

m. Harriett Marie Bartels
b. 12 Dec. 1894 Jackson Twp., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of Charles H. & Carlotta (Huston) Bartels (Carlotta was called "Lott" or"Lottie"

Jay Lochner attended the Hopewell School, he lived in the Auburn area all of his life.

He married Marie Bartels, ~~12 December 1894~~ 1 August 1913, in Hillsdale, Michigan, they were married by the Reverend Wheeler in the Methodist parsonage.

Marie also attended the Hopewell School, then Garrett High School for one year, and graduated from Auburn High School three years later.

They have lived since 1931 (45 years) on the farm Marie's grandfather, Fred C. (Fritz) Bartels settled on when he came here from Schwerin, Germany. Two generations of Bartels have lived on it before Marie and Jay moved there. There are 80 acres, 61 of which are farm land. Her grandparents first lived in a log house here. Jay's grandfather, Jacob Lochner, came from Bavaria, Germany and settled across the road from the Bartels and a little north.

Marie is an excellent cook, and has a real knack for setting a beautiful table with delicious foods. Their home was the usual place for the festive family dinners, as they live in a large farm house, with lots of room, and because she was such a good cook. The "latch string" was always out at their home, and people felt free to just drop in for a few minutes, or a few hours. And Marie would never let you leave without having you sit down around the big square oak table for at least a snack. Their home was the kind of home their children felt free to bring their friends.

Marie was also active in Democratic Politics, and her Home Economic Club.

Jay is an avid reader, a philosopher, and for years has been an active Democrat. Although he says he was never a 100%er as he had often been called. In later years one time he was asked who he was going to vote for? And his reply was somewhat hesitant, and he said, "I really don't know who to vote for, if any one of the 4 mon on Mt. Rushmore were running, I'd vote for any one of them." And then he went into a rather lengthy oration on all the attributes of each of the four men, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln, and Teddy Roosevelt. And then he read some thoughts by Josiah Gilbert Holland (1819-1881) and said this was the kind of President he wanted to vote for. Here are the lines written by Holland:

God, give us Men! A time like this demands
Strong minds, great hearts, true faith and ready hands;
Men whom the lust of office does not kill;
Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy;
Men who possess opinions and a will;
Men who have honor; men who will not lie;
Men who can stand before a demagogue
and damn his treacherous flatteries without winking!
Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog
In public duty and in private thinking.

He also stated that as far back as he could remember, all the Furnishes were Republicans, including his mother. And that at one time his father, Peter Lochner,

ran for Trustee on the Democratic Ticket and that his Uncle Abe Furnish ran for Trustee on the Prohibition Ticket, and that Uncle Abe had said that he voted for his father. They ran on different tickets, but were alike in their philosophy.

He also told how proud he was of his children, and said that while they were growing up he didn't impose alot of hard rules on them, things they couldn't do and so on. But "in the depth of the panic (depression) the most I said to them, and there were no jobs, and no income, was we've all got good sense, and give us an opportunity and we'll get out of this mess - in short order, and we did." The family worked together, and Jay worked at many and varied jobs. He worked as Assistant Supt. for the P. W. A., he worked nights at Murpheys 5 and 10¢ Store, at the Palace Theater, and at G. E., all in Ft. Wayne.

He learned the Carpenter Trade by working with another carpenter, and by taking a Correspondance Course through the mail. He worked as a carpenter for 26 years, and many times was foreman on the job. He worked mostly on commercial buildings, seldom on residental. He helped to build St. Joseph Hospital, and the Lutheran Hospital, and Wolf & Dessauer Dept. Store, all in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Jay has a good sense of humor, and one time it was observed that he had painted the toes of his shoes white. When asked about it, he said he had dropped a 35 pound vice on his toe, and "boy I did my own square dance and did my own calling too, so now I wear shoes with steel toes, and painted them white so I could see my feet move."

Some years back he set out a fruit orchard, with the help of his eldest daughter Charlotte, they set out 24 fruit trees, apples, cherries and pears, in a 40 rod sq. This has been his retirement pride and joy, however a few years back he suffered a Coronary and then a stroke. He has recovered nicely from both but is unable to work in the orchard. Marie also underwent major surgery and suffered a stroke, but she has recovered enough that she has been able to sort apples, and take care of the selling of them as well as the cider. He is still able to read much of the time.

To this union six children were born, Robert Linden, Charlotte Adella, Phyllis Maxine, Donald Jay, Jack Alton and Richard Dean Lochner.

5) Robert Linden Lochner
b. 1 Mar. 1916 Auburn, Ind.
m. 24 June 1947
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Factory Supt.

m. Mary Ayers Thomas
b. 9 Apr. 1915 Hicksville, Ohio
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation:
dau. of:

Robert Lochner graduated from Auburn High School in 1934. He worked in Connellsville, Pa. for a while, and then in the Auburn Rubber Plant. When it moved to Deming N. Mexico he moved there as Vice President. Presently he lives in Bryan, Ohio, and is Supt. for the Strydel Corp., a plastics factory.

His wife Mary likes to paint, and has won awards for some of herpaintings. She received first prize on one of her scenes. She also likes to sew and is an avid Bridge player. She has one daughter by a previous marriage, Patricia Ann Thomas.

6) Patricia Ann Thomas
b. 10 Feb. 1936
m. 29 Dec. 1956
d
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Homemaker/Beautician

m. Ted Magnuson
b. 6 Aug. 1931 DeKalb Co., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Control Soya Co. (Soya Bean)
son of:

Patricia Thomas graduated from high school in 1954, then from Warner Beauty College, in Ft. Wayne. They now live in Madison Wisc. They are the parents of four children, Chrissanne, Mark Linden, Cynthia Lou, and Michael Craig Magnuson.

7) Chrissanne Magnuson
b. 9 May 1958 Fort Wayne, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) Mark Linden Magnuson
b. 21 Sept 1959 New Haven, Ind.
d. 9 Feb. 1961 Memphis, Tenn.
cause: Enlarged thymus gland
burial: Auburn, Indiana

7) Cynthia ~~Lou~~ Lynn Magnuson
b. 8 Dec. 1961 Memphis, Tenn.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) Michael Craig Magnuson
b. 24 Jan 1964 Gibson City, Ill.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Charlotte Adella Lochner
b. 5 Sept, 1917 Auburn, Ind.
m. 28 Dec. 1940
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Executive Director of Y.W.C.A.-Y.M.C.A.

m. Frank Aubrey
b. 29 July 1912
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Commercial Photographer
son of:

Charlotte Lochner graduated from Auburn High School and from Purdue University in 1940 with a B. S. Degree in Home Economics. She worked as a chemist for Bowser's Chemical Lab., Ft. Wayne, for 17 years. In 1957 she went to work for Fing Pat., Filtration Engineering, in Fiber Glass. In 1968 she became Executive Director of Appleseed Ridge Girl Scout Council, Lima. Ohio, and in 1973 accepted a position with the Y. W. C. A - Y. M. C. A in supervision. At this writing (1976) she is Executive Director.

Charlotte and Frank Aubrey were married, 28 December 1940, but after five years this marriage ended in divorce. To this union one daughter was born, Judy Ann.

6) Judy Ann Aubrey
b. 1 Nov 1941 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m. 6 Oct. 1962
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran/Episcopal
occupation: Homemaker/Art Teacher

m. Robert Clark
b. 17 Nov. 1938 Conn.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Episcopal
occupation: Scouting/Insurance
son of: Robert Douglas and Elaine ( )
Clark

Judy Aubrey graduated from Auburn High School and from Houston University, Houston, Texas in June 1965. She does beautiful art work, and is the Art Teacher in the Logansport Schools.

She married Robert Clark, 6 October 1962, he was stationed in Houston, Texas where he was a 1st Lieutenant in the U. S. Air Force. After Roberts discharge from the Air Force he worked in Scouting, and currently (1976) is with ~~Mid~~-Western Insurance. They live near Logansport, Indiana.
North

Judy and Robert are the parents of two children, Kenneth Douglas, and Kyle Brannon Clark.

7) Kenneth Douglas Clark Houston m.
b. 26 Apr. 1966 ~~SanAntinoe~~, Texas
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

7) Kyle Brannon Clark m.
b. 11 Nov. 1968 Omaha, Nebraska
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Phyllis Maxine Lochner m. Earl Amos Roop
b. 26 May 1919 Auburn, Indiana
m. 16 Oct. 1942 Connorsville, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Homemaker

b. 11 ~~Nov~~ 1917 Ft. Wayne, Indiana
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: R. R. Engineer
son of: Amos & Arvilla (Potts) Roop

Phyllis Lochner graduated from Auburn High School in 1937, and went to work for Magnavox in Ft. Wayne for a short while. Leaving there, she went to work at National Finance & Loan Co. In March 1941 she accepted a position as Teller in the Lincoln National Bank & Trust Co.

In October of 1941 she went to Chicago for a 3-day vacation. Here she met Earl Roop, and the following September received her engagement ring. She left the Bank on the 15th and they were married on the 16th in the Methodist parsonage of the Methodist Church, Connorsville, Ind. They took a short honeymoon to Cincinnati. She then took a job with Transcontinental & Western Airways, as a passenger agent. Her new job consisted of booking reservations, decoding weather, handling passengers, learning teletype, operating the two-way radios between station & station and between station and ship. She was sent to Chicago where she took her examination and recieved a radio operator's permit. Was fingerprinted by the F.B.I. and sworn in to handle the U.S. mail. She wore a regulation TWA uniform. This job was trying, plus the long drive back and forth at night was too much for her, so she gave up the job in January 1943, to be a homemaker, and a year later a mother.

In 1961 she went back to the Lincoln Bank as Teller and in 1962 was made personnel assistant, she quit again in 1964. She has worked as Election Clerk for more than 15 years, is active in Lutheran Church Women, bowls and plays golf, and goes

Back to Auburn each week and takes her parents grocery shopping, or to the doctor, as the case may be.

Earl became Engineer on the Penn. R. R. in December 1954, (now Central). He is afflicted with empyema, and is allergic to antibiotics, so goes to Arizona or Colarado each winter for his health. He hopes to be able to retire in March of '77 and go out there and live, as he feels so much better out there. Retired 1 Oct. 1977

They built a lovelly home in Ft. Wayne in 1954. Moved to Green Valley, Ariz. Jan. 1978.

Phyllis and Earl are the parents of three daughters, Sandra Lu, Linda Sue, and Rebecca Lynn Roop.

6) Sandra Lu Roop
b. 10 Jan. 1944 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m. 4 Apr. 1963 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran/Roman Catholic
occupation: Homemaker/Bank Teller
Beautician

m. Laurence Murphy
b. 6 Feb.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: Seat Cover Business
son of: Robert & Marie ( )
Douglass

Sandra Roop graduated from Central High School in Fort Wayne, and from Warners Beauty College also in Fort Wayne. Sandra and Laurence Murphy were married, 4 April 1963 in St Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Fort Wayne. After a few years this marriage ended in divorce, and Sandra took a job in the Lincoln National Bank and Trust Co., working as a teller. She is presently (1976) attending Indiana University - Purdue Extension, hopefully working toward a Degree in Nursing or Mental Health.

To this union two children were born, Michael Laurence and Kara Ann Murphy.

7) Michael Laurence Murphy
b. 16 Feb. 1964 Fort Wayne, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

7) Kara Ann Murphy
b. 20 Oct. 1966 Prince George Co. Md.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Linda Sue Roop
b. 18 Aug. 1947 Ft. Wayne, Ind
m. 29 Mar. 1969
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Homemaker/Teacher

m. James Thalacker
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: X-ray Tech./Minister
son of: Hubert & Dorothy (Warshow) Thalacker

Linda Roop graduated from Elmhurst High School in Fort Wayne. In 1960 she graduated from Indiana University - Purdue with her B. A. Degree in Elementary Education, and in 1975 her Masters Degree/Reading Endorsement in El. Ed. also from I. U. P. In 1974 she worked as Supervisor of the Day School at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne.

James Thalacker enlisted in the U. S. Army and served 3½ years in the Medical Corps in San Antonio, Texas. He had graduated from North Side High School, Ft. Wayne, and had worked in the Lutheran Hospital as an X-ray Technician before enlistment, and returned after his discharge, where he was made Assistant Chief. In Feb. 1975 he received his B. S. Degree in Secondary Education from I. U. P. He also served as lay assistant of St. Luke's Lutheran Church. In the fall of 1975 he entered Northwestern University Seminary in Minneapolis, Minnisota, where he is preparing to become a Lutheran minister. Fall, 1977 Jim started 1 yr. Internship, Booster, Kansas.

Linda and Jim are the parents of one daughter, Serina Ann Thalacker.

7) Serina Ann Thalacker
b. 4 Dec. 1970 San Antonio, Texas
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) Katrina Marie Thalacker
b. 5 Dec. 1976
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
of:

7) Anna Elizabeth Thalacker
b. 13 Dec. 1977

6) Rebecca Lynn Roop m.

b. 22 Aug. 1951 Ft. Wayne, Ind.	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church: Lutheran	occupation:
occupation:	son of:

Rebecca Roop graduated from Elmhurst High School in Fort Wayne. In 1973 she graduated from Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana. After graduation she went to Washington, D. C. and worked for 25 lawyers. She has a double major, in History and Political Science. She worked there for two years. At present (1976) she is attending Indiana University-Purdue Extension in Fort Wayne, working on her Masters.

5) Donald Jay Lochner 1. m. Veronica Ross

b. 21 Apr. 1922 Auburn, Ind,	b. 16 Apr. 1923
m. 18 Jan. 1944 Oklahoma City, Ok.	d.
d. 14 Dec. 1972 Fort Wayne, Ind.	cause:
cause: Massive Coronary	burial:
burial: Christian Union Cem. Garrett, I.	church:
church: Methodist	occupation:
occupation: Salesman	dau. of:

Donald Lochner graduated from Auburn High School in 1939. He enlisted in the U. S. Air Force, and received his Wings as a Pilot and a 2nd Lieutenant Commission at Ellington Field Houston, Texas in March of 1943. His sister Phyllis was priviliged to pin his Wings on him. He enlisted, 28 December 1940, in Fort Wayne.

Don married Veronica Ross, 18 January 1944, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. To this union one son was born, Richard Ross Lochner, this marriage soon ended in divorce.

6) Richard Ross Lochner m.

b. 14 Aug. 1946 N. Y.	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church:	occupation:
occupation:	dau. of:

Richard Lochner lives in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Don had written his Grandpa Lochner in 1942, "I hope to write "OLd Glory" in Germany and Japan." He served in the China Burma Theater. He flew Aerial Reconnaissance and flew "The Hump" (Himalayas). He was a photographer in the Air Force. He received the Oak Leaf Cluster for risking his life by going into a plane, that had been shot down by the Japanese and was on fire, and retrieving some film. He also received the Silver Star, which was awarded for gallantry in action.

In 1947 Don and Georgia Rugman were married. She and Don had been high school sweethearts.

5) Donald Jay Lochner

m. 29 June 1947

See information with first marriage.

2. m. Georgia Rugman
b. 18 July 1925 DeKalb Co., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist
occupation:
dau. of:

After Don's discharge from the U. S. Air Force he went to work for the U. S. Rubber Co., in Fort Wayne. He was a versitile person, he liked to do wood carvings, and electrical and mechanical work. He also enjoyed going out to his parents farm and working in the garden and in the orchard.

At the time of his death he was working as a salesman for the Fort Wayne Pipe and Supply Co. He suffered a massive coronary just as he hung up the phone to go to lunch. He was just 50 years of age.

Don and Georgia were the parents of two sons, Larry Gene and Thomas Lee lochner.

6) Larry Gene Lochner
b. 5 Feb. 1948 Garrett, Ind.
d. 14 May 1971
cause: auto accident
burial: Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett, Ind.
church: Methodist
occupation:

Larry graduated from Auburn High School, 25 May, 1966. He graduated from Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo in 1970. He was an honor student.

He was killed when the wheel of his car struck a hole in the road, the wheel came off, his car catapulted and flipped and hit a utility pole. He was well liked and had many friends. He was active in the Auburn United Methodist Church.

It was strange that in March after his father had died in December, that he took out an Insurance Policy with triple indemnity, with the beneficiary named as his brother Tom, so that if anything happeded to him, Tom would have money to get his education. One wonders if he had a premonition?

6) Thomas Lee Lochner
b. 5 June 1954 Angola, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Senior W. M. U. 1976-77

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Tom graduated from Auburn High School. And will graduate with the Class of 1976 from Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

In August of 1973 Tom was involved in an auto accident at 1:30 on a Tuesday morning. As he was coming on I 69, 2 miles south of Angola, a car ahead of him had hit an abutmnet on a bridge and was crosswise in the road, in a dense fog, and Tom hit it.

5) Jack Alton Lochner
b. 6 Feb. 1931 Auburn, Ind.
m. 9 June 1954 New York
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: U. S. Army Lt. Col.

m. Laurine Jeannette Shough
b. 30 Apr. 1932 Moscow, Michigan
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of:

Jack Lochner graduated from Auburn High School. He attended Purdue University for one year. He was appointed to West Point Military Academy in 1950, and graduated from there, in the upper third of his class, 8 June 1954. The next day he and Laurine Shough were married in the Chapel at West Point. Jack was the first person from DeKalb Co., Ind. ever to attend West Point.

Laurine is from Ypsilanti, Michigan but was working up the river from West Point in Poukeepsie, N. Y. at the time.

Jack has made the Army a career, so they have lived in many different places including, Ft. Benning Ga., Tenn., Germany, Ft. Lewis, Washington, Texas and was assigned in 1973 to Washington D. C. where he works under the Army Chief-of-Staff in the Pentagon Building. His rank at that time was Lt. Col. He has served in Germany, Korea, San Domingo, and Viet Nom.

Since April 1973 Jack and Laurine have lived in Alexandria, Va. They are the parents of four children, Terry Alan, Sherrill Louise, Barbara Ann and Debra Lochner.

6) Terry Alan Lochner
b. 30 Mar. 1955 Fort Campbell, Ky
m. 1975
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Linda Sprouls
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Terry Lochner graduated from Ft. Lewis High School, Washington in 1973
He toured Europe with an Eisenhower Grant for three months. He is an avid golfer.

6) Sherrill Louise Lochner
b. 12 Oct. 1957 Augsburg, Germany
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Sherrill Lochner graduated from Fort Hunt High School, Alexandria, Virginia, 1975.
She is a Freshman at Washington State.

6) Barbara Ann Lochner
b. 6 Dec. 1959 Tacoma, Washington
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: 1976 High School Jr.

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Barbara Lochner is a Junior at Fort Hunt High School, Alexandria, Virginia, 1975-6.

6) Debra Gail Lochner m.
b. 11 Feb. 1961 Columbus, Ga. b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: occupation:
occupation: 1975-6 High School Freshman son of:

Debra Lochner attends Fort Hunt High School, Alexandria, Virginia. She is a Freshman, 1975-6.

5) Richard Dean Lochner (Dick) m. Kareen Ott
b. 17 June 1932 Auburn, Ind. b. 29 Jan. 1933
m. 24 June 1933 d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: occupation:
occupation: Postal Service dau. of:

Dick Lochner graduated from Auburn High School. He served in the U. S. Army as a Paratrooper in World War II. He was discharged January 1954. He then took the Civil Service Examination, and was the only one of the 14 taking the exam that passed. He has worked for the Auburn Post Office since 1954.

He likes to cook and do gardening. In 1972 a tractor overturned on him while working on his father's farm and broke his leg.

In June 1953 Dick married Kareen Ott. They were married in the County Line Church of God. Shortly after their marriage Kareen was placed in the Irene Bryan Sanitarium, because of tuberculosis.

This marriage ended in divorce in 1973, Kareen has since married, Dick has not. To this union four sons were born, David Richard, Michael Lynn, Randall Allen and Jeffrey Dean.

6) David Richard Lochner
b. 9 May 1954 Auburn, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: City of Auburn

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

David Lochner graduated from Auburn High School in 1972. He works for the City of Auburn, water and utility; Filtration Plant.

6) Michael Lynn Lochner
b. 27 Feb. 1956 Auburn, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: City of Auburn

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Michael Lochner graduated from Auburn High School in 197 . He works for the City of Auburn. Working on the railroad 1976.

6) Randall Allen Lochner
b. 20 Aug. 1958 Auburn, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Hi. Sc. Senior 1975-6

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

1976 working at filling station on W. 7th in Auburn, Ind.

6) Jeffrey Dean Lochner m.
b. 8 June 1961 Auburn, Indiana b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: occupation:
occupation: Hi. Sc. Freshman 1975-6 dau. of:
1976 living with his mother in Stoughton, Wisc.

4) Mabel Frances Lochner
b. 26 May 1894 Jackson Twp., Ind.
m. never married
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Brethren/Methodist/Nazarene
occupation: Teacher/Clerk/Practical Nurse.

Mabel Lochner attended Hopewell grade school and graduated from Auburn High School in 191 . She attended Winona Normal School for 42 weeks ($3\frac{1}{2}$ summers) and taught school for six terms (3 years). She taught in District 8 and 9 in Jackson Twp., and at Sugargrove, Kelhams, Hopewell, and Keiser Twp., all in DeKalb Co.

Since teaching she has worked at many and varied occupations, from selling cosmetics, house to house, to working for the Dubiske Stock Co., she sold scholarships for a commercial school, "Hall Business University." She clerked in Frank's Dept. Store in Ft. Wayne for four years, was a companion to Dr. Harriett McBeth. She also clerked in the Wolf and Dessour Dept. Store in Ft. Wayne and in the Gamble Store in Auburn. In January 1955 she started working as a Practical Nurse, in homes in Auburn.

Mabel has never been a very strong person, and has had many a bout with illnesses, but has managed to recover each time. She is well read, and has a fantastic mind for remembering dates. She has taken care of her self by trying to eat a balanced meal, taking added vitamines and by keeping active.

It may be of interest to her readers that Mabel was involved in two buggy accidents as a young lady; (one account from a newspaper clipping elsewhere) and the other time she was in a buggy with a local boy by the name of John Nugen, and her sister Blanche wasin another buggy with John Weaver the man she later married. It seemes the two fellows decided to do a bit of racing, and their buggy wheel hubs collided. Both Mabel and John were tossed out, but were not hurt, and the horse went on home without the driver. She was also involved in two auto accidents, 1938 and 1952.

Mabel lived in apartment houses after she quit working, finally tiring of this she bought a little house on 21st street in Auburn, and moved into it on 30 April 1974. She sold the home she and her mother had owned on North Cedar, and started a new life for herself at age 80 years.

Mabel never married although at one time she was engaged to a pre-med. student.

HORSE FRIGHTENED UPSETS BUGGY

Misses Blanche and Mabel Lochner figured in ugly mix-up in returning home Friday night.

OCCUPANTS BADLY BRUISED

Driver of Machine did not stop, but went whizzing on in the darkness.

As the result of their horse becoming frightened at a passing auto buggy five miles south of this city between 5 and 6 o'clock Friday night, Misses Blanche and Mabel Lochner figured in an ugly mix-up which might have cost them their lives.

The two young ladies were returning from Auburn to their home in Jackson township when near the Frank Reed residence the auto buggy, which was being driven without lights or any signals whatever, approached, coming at a high rate of speed from the south. The driver of the machine made no effort to slack his speed or even give half' of the road, and as a consequence the horse which the young ladies were driving plunged sideways or a collision would have resulted. The buggy was overturned and the occupants pinned underneath the wreckage. So complete was the smash-up that the horse was easily freed from the rig and proceeded on home. The young ladies extricated themselves from underneath the wreckage and telephone messages were sent to the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Lochner, who soon hastened to their rescue.

An effort was also made by M. Reed to stop the reckless auto driver but without avail as their speed was such that it was impossible to head them off before reaching Auburn. An investigation is being made by the manufacturers of this city to acertain the names of the two men who were in the machine and when the exact state of affairs is learned they will be dealt with accordingly.

Every precaution is being exercised by the men in charge of the manufacture of autos here to prevent testers from making long drives into the country, and to check the fast driving that is often indulged in when a good piece of road is found. Farmers along the routes leading south from this city are becoming indignant and have threatenedto organize to prevent fast driving. They claim that the lives of their families are in constant danger and already several dogs have been killed as well as chickens.

The driver of the auto that caused the smash-up above referred to, came near having a similar accident before reaching his destination in this city. When near the Norman Shaffer place they met Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Bartles, who were returning from this city, and again they refused to give any of the road or check their speed and the horse driven by Mr. and Mrs. Bartles came very near getting away from them. They were forced to the side of the road and escaped up-setting by only the slightest degree.

The Misses Blanche and Mabel Lochner suffered considerable bruises in their horrifying experience last night. Miss Mabel has a sprained wrist and is otherwise scratched about her face. She is a student of the Auburn High School and was being taken home by her sister, the latter escaping with only bruises.

(Copied from an old Newspaper Clipping)
(Probably the Auburn Evening Star)

-About 1910-

Note: The Auburn Automobile was manufactured in Auburn, Indiana.

FRANCIS MARION FURNISH

3) Francis Marion Furnish (Frank)
b. 6 Jan. 1872 Kendallville, Ind.
m. 1892 Auburn, Indiana
d. 23 Nov. 1962 South Bend, Ind.
cause: Infirmities of age 90
burial: South Bend, Indiana
St. Joseph Valley Mem. Park
church: St. Marks Lutheran, Auburn
occupation: Hardware Clerk

m. Margaret Jane Reed
b. 28 Dec. 1870 DeKalb Co., Ind.
d. 2 Sept. 1952 South Bend, Ind.
cause: Pernicious Anemia
burial: South Bend, Indiana
St. Joseph Valley Mem. Park
church: St. Marks Lutheran, Auburn
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: George Washington & Elizabeth Isabelle (Ferguson) Reed

Francis (Frank) Marion Furnish was the son of Eva Watson and William Henry Furnish. He was born in Kendallville, Indiana. When he was yet a baby his mother became ill with tuberculosis. At her parents request, Charles and Rachael (Wyatt) Watson, they left Kendallville, and moved into the farm home with Eva's parents, as well as with her sister, Lydia, and her brother, Charles Wesley Watson. Here Eva died when Frank was only 2 years and 8 months old; Eva was 34. She was buried in the Watson cemetery, located on the Watson farm, a small family cemetery, where even today a boulder marks her grave; between the tombstones of some of the rest of the Watson family.

After Eva's death Will and the children, Douglas, Adella and Frank, continued to live with the Watsons; however the Auburn Courthouse Records show that Will purchased a small piece of ground, 4 X 8 rods, in the "S part of SW Sec. 14, Twp. 33, Range 12 for $183.32, from Michael Reeves, and then on Apr. 29, 1876 he sold it back to Rachel Reeves for the same amount." He only kept it for one year, it was located north of the Watson property, near the Israel Shearer farm. He had purchased a year after Eva's death, perhaps intending to build a house on it for he and his little family.

When Frank was in his early teens, his father left Indiana and went to Michigan to find work. He only returned once to see the children, neither did he write to them, however he did send some support money to the Watsons. One wonders if perhaps there was some friction, perhaps too many "bosses," in the home, which may bave contributed to his leaving. The grandparents and the Aunt and the Uncle continued to care for them.

In a letter dated 30 Dec., 1952, Frank wrote to his half brother, Clyde Furnish, in Michigan, "I saw my father just once after he went up into Michigan. That was a long way them days." Sic

Frank attended the Boot's School, which was near the Watson farm, and where his father had taught school. At age sixteen he got his first job away from home, working as a clerk for the Swineford House, now the Auburn Hotel.

In 1892 he and Margaret Jane Reed were married in the Meese Chapel, out in the country south of Auburn, by the Reverend Billy Meese. To this union 5 children were born. The first Basil Talmadge, died of meningitis at six months of age, then they had twin boys, stillborn, all 3 are buried in Evergreen Cemetery, Auburn. Then Bernice Marie and Charles Cecil Furnish. All the children were born in Auburn.

Frank's next job was at the Kiblinger Factory, where he worked for a few years, then he went to Leasures Hardware also in Auburn, where it is believed he was working at the time of his father's death; however he wrote a letter to his father on the 20th of January, not knowing he had died the day before. It was written on "ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY" stationery, and stamped: Auburn, Indiana, Penn'a Lines. L & T 2259. The contents of the letter are:

"Jan. 20, 1904 - W. H. Furnish, St. Johns, Mich.

Dear Father and family: I read a letter indirectly from you. I am sorry indeed to learn of your illness and that circumstances are such that I cannot be with you. I have looked year in and year out for some word from you only to be disappointed. It should not be that father and son should be as strangers. I have set time after time to visit you, but have never been permitted to do so. Della and family are well. All our relatives in this vicinity are well as far as I know. I have a family of two children aged 8 and 5, both going to school. My wife has very poor health. This is all the time I can spare at present, will write you again. Hope this will find you improving in health. Hoping to hear from you soon. I am your son. F. M. Furnish

I have every cent tied up in a bank failure here, and could not leave town unless I go afoot. F.

He was not able to attend his father's funeral, nor were any of the Indiana relatives, as he died at 7 o'clock on Tuesday evening, 19 January 1904, and the messanger did not get to his sister Adella's house with the telegram until 10 o'clock Wednesday night and the funeral was on Thursday morning at 9 o'clock. (Michigan had a severe blizzard the day of the funeral and Indiana rain.)

Frank worked in a Notions Store in Auburn from 1908 to 1912. The store was owned by A. B. Olds then by Charles Kinsly and finally by Tete Ashelman. He also worked for Fredericks at the Auburn Hardware. Then they moved to South Bend where for many years he worked for Meyers Hardware there, retiring from there just a few days before his 90th birthday. He retired 31 December 1961, his hearing and eyesight were failing him and he was "like a fish out of water" as he had worked since he was 16 years of age.

Family tradition says he was named after the American general and patriot, Francis Marion, (1732-1795), who had earned for himself the nickname of "Swamp Fox" during the Revolutionary War.

His wife, Margaret Jane Reed, was the daughter of George Washington Reed and Elizabeth Isabelle Ferguson. She was the youngest of 5 children. The others names were: Charles Albert, Eliza Alice, Emma Aldora and James Ferguson. She was born in Jackson Twp., Dekalb Co., Indiana.

Margaret was not a well person. In 1904 Frank stated in a letter, " my wife has very poor health." Having lost 3 infants in her early years of marriage caused her much grief. She suffered with pernicious anemia for many years and in 1937 had a severe case of shingles on her face and nose, which remained very sensitive the rest of her life. She was seriously ill in 1944, and their daughter Bernice was called home from Washington, D. C. Frank had been hit by an automobile and had a broken collar bone and many bruises. She died 2 September 1952. A letter from Frank to his half-brother Clyde, dated 30 Dec. 1952, So. Bend, Indiana reads:

"I hardly know what to do the last 4 months. Margaret and I started out in the depression of 1892. Lost in 2 bank failures and the same thing over again in 1928. But she was my counselor and advisor for 60 years. So we weathered the gale together, and I can hardly get along without her.

However I am still working 6 days a week. I take the Auburn paper and read that sister Dell's granddaughter, Mrs. Steininger, is in the Lutheran Hospital at Fort Wayne with polio. She has 5 children.

The other granddaughter, Ermel, lost her husband several years ago with the same thing.

Clyde I never knew about you folks as I only saw our father just once after he went up into Michigan, that was a long way them days. You say you have 15 grandchildren. Well have we or did we ever have any brothers or sisters up there? I never knew. You know, if I feel able to go farther than Memorial Park, where my wife is, I am going to Ovid, and see if I can find you. 81 years seems quite old to young folks, but you know we had a great uncle in Ireland a few years ago who was 108 years, in good health and and his mind was clear as a bell, so there is hope for me. Hope to see you all some day. Love to all, goodnight. (Bernice is still with me.)" "Frank"

Frank had beautiful handwriting, even at age 90, it was still pretty much the same. His last letter to Clyde read:

"So. Bend, Ind. Nov. 22, 1961
Clyde and family, your kind invitation to attend your Birthday celebration at your home at hand and we would be more than pleased to be there, but I am one of the down and out class, as I will be 90 years (if God wills) Jan. 6th. I'm still up and going but it is some task so I am staying very close to home. However last Sept. I went to the School Reunion in DeKalb Co., where I went to school and father used to teach. The school building, a red brick, is now used for a dwelling, some family lives in it. That is the third school house, the other two were frame buildings sitting on blocks about 2 ft. from the ground so the snow could blow under it. There is no one living in that school district that went to school when I did. Arthur Furnish, Uncle Abe's son, is living near Spencerville, but was not able to attend the Reunion.

I noticed you addressed your letter to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Furnish. My wife Margaret died Sept. 4th 1952. Since then my daughter, Bernice, is taking care of our home the same as mother did.

I'm very sorry I cannot attend your Birthday celebration, but will be there in spirit and hope you may have many happy birthdays as the years come and go. I do not have a car and am too old to get a license to drive, so I will have to hole-up like a woodchuck. I hope this may find you all enjoying the blessings of health and prosperity. My son Cecil lives at Ft. Wayne and don't get to see them too often. Hoping to see and hear from you often. Am one of the family. F. M. Furnish (Frank)

He died the following 23rd of November on Clyde's 76th birthday. His funeral was conducted by the Reverend Quinton J. Everest, pastor for 22 years of the River Park Gospel Center Church in South Bend, and for approximately 40 years minister of "Your Worship Hour", a weekly radio program. The Gospel Center was only 2 blocks from their home, so Frank and Margaret attended services there; however they never transferred their membership from St. Marks Lutheran church in Auburn. The funeral service was conducted on Monday, 26 November 1962 from the Hollis Chapel at 2:30 P. M. Burial was in St. Joseph Valley Memorial Park, South Bend, Indiana.

Politically Frank was a Democrat; however his father and grandfather were both Republicans. He had been in good health most of his life, and his daughter, Bernice, once wrote: "Dad said he had no pain and was not sick in his dying days."

They had lived much of their married life in Auburn, before moving to South Bend. They had lived on S. Deder, N. Jackson, 9th St., Indiana Ave., 1005 N. Main St. and at 814 Midway Drive. This was a new home, built by Frank's brother Douglas Furnish. In 1925 they moved to Mishawaka, a suburb of South Bend. In 1940 they sold the home in Mishawaka and bought a 5 room house at 1002 - 28th St., South Bend, 2 blocks from their son Cecil's home, at quite a sacrifice. The Auburn Courthouse Records show that he bought and sold several pieces of property in Auburn between 1913 and 1919.

Frank and Margaret were the parents of two children that lived to maturity, Charles Cecil and Bernice Marie Furnish. Their oldest child, Basil, died when he was 6 months old, then twins were stillborn. All three are buried in Evergreen Cemetery in Auburn, Indiana.

4) Charles Cecil Furnish, Sr.
b. 5 Aug. 1895 Auburn, Ind.
m. Feb. 1923 Auburn, Ind.
d. 27 Mar. 1977 Ft Wayne, Ind.
cause: Coronary
burial: Greenlawn Mem. Pk. Ft. Wayne
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Accountant

m. Gayle Agnes Myers
b. 17 Mar. 1900 Dedan, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: George and Emma A. (Rohm) Myers

Cecil was born in Auburn, Indiana, he attended Harrison grade school, and graduated from Auburn High School in 1914. He also attended Tri-State College in Angola, Indiana. He served in World War I, in Co. E, of the 309th Engineer Corp. He served in France for ten months. Gayle attended school in Richland Twp., DeKalb Co., Ind.

He and Gayle Myers were married in the Lutheran parsonage in Auburn, by the Reverend S. E. Slater. They lived in South Bend until 1955, where he was an accountant for the Indiana and Michigan Electric Co. In 1955 they moved to Fort Wayne to 3302 Indiana Ave., where they still reside. He continued to work at the Electric Co. until his retirement 1 August 1960. He and Gayle are both members of the First Presbyterian Church of Fort Wayne. In Politics they are Republicans.

Gayle is artistic and enjoys doing watercolor paintings, mostly scenery, and has a lovely one hanging over their fireplace. She also sews beautifully, tailoring her own suits as well as making her other clothing.

To this union 5 children were born, Mary Catherine, Betty Lorine, Charles Cecil, Jr., Warren Leroy and Thomas David Furnish.

5) Mary Catherine Furnish
b. 9 June 1926 South Bend, Ind.
m. 1 Feb. 1962 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Homemaker/Airlines Reservations Clerk

m. Herbert Gail Thomas, Jr.
b. 17 May 1933
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Supervisor
son of: Herbert Gail & Irene ( ) Thomas

Mary Catherine attended school in South Bend, graduating from the John Adams High School there. She attended Park College, Parkville, Mo., and was employed by Braniff Airlines, Kansas City, Mo. Herbert graduated from Indiana University Business College. He served in World War II, in the Air Force. He was stationed in Okinawa. He is a supervisor for U. S. Steel in Baytown, Texas, where they reside.

They were married in the chapel of the First Presbyterian Church, in Fort Wayne, by the Reverend Ray Walther on Thursday at 9 p. m.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a white wool suit with a white pillbox hat enhanced with a champagne veil. She carried a white orchid on a white Bible. Her sister Betty Furnish was her only attendant. She wore an American Beauty rose colored dress with matching flowered pillbox hat. Herbert's brother Donald Thomas of Gary, Indiana was best man. The bride's mother wore light blue and the groom's mother was in tourquoise. A buffet dinner and reception was held at the home of the bride's parents.

They are the parents of two children, Elizabeth Gayle and John Franklin Thomas.

6) Elizabeth Gayle Thomas
b. 10 May 1964 Gary, Indiana
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) John Franklin Thomas
b.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Betty Lorine Furnish
b. 15 Jan. 1928 South Bend, Ind.
m. never married
d. 15 Aug. 1967 St. Helena, California
cause: Breast Cancer
burial: Greenlawn Memorial Park, Ft. Wayne, Ind.
church: First Presbyterian, Ft. Wayne
occupation: School Teacher - 3rd grade

Betty Lorine Furnish was born in South Bend, Indiana. She graduated from the John Adams High School there, and attended Presbyterian College in Missouri. She graduated from Indiana University, and received her master's degree from Columbia University in New York. She started teaching in 1956 at the Frances Slocum School in Fort Wayne, and taught there until she became ill.

Betty was a member of the American Association of University Women, the First Presbyterian Church and its choir and Round Table group.

She died in St. Helena, California, where she had gone for treatment just one month before her death. She died, at 5:30 a. m. on Tuesday, 15 Aug. 1967. Services for her were held at 2:30 p. m. on Friday in the First Presbyterian Church, Fort Wayne. Burial was in Greenlawn Memorial Park. Arrangements were made by the D. O. McComb & Sons Funeral Home Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Warren, Cecil, Gayle, Tom & Betty Furnish

5) Charles Cecil Furnish, Jr.
b. 13 Dec. 1929 South Bend, Ind.
m. 24 Mar. 1965
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Pharmacist

1 m. Reita Hutchins
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

2 m. Cheryl Hannon
b.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Charles graduated from John Adams High School in South Bend, and from Purdue University with his B. S. Degree in Pharmacy. He was in the U. S. Air Force, and was in the Japan and Korea Conflict. Before getting his degree, he worked part time in the Bloomington Indiana City Hospital, besides working in a Drug Store. His first marriage ended in divorce. He and his present wife live in Florida, where he is a pharmacist in Seminole.

5) Warren Leroy Furnish
b. 17 May 1935 South Bend, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Minister

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Warren Furnish graduated from John Adams High School in South Bend. He attended Park College, Parkville, Missouri for 3 years, and Indiana University for one year. He was in the U. S. Air Force, and spent 3 years in France. He was stationed at Chateauroux, as a Dental Assistant. He worked as a Fire Insurance Rator (Fire Engineer), with the Indiana Rating Bureau, Indianapolis. Then decided to study for the ministry. He was ordained in 1971. He is presently pastoring a church in Tuscola, Illinois. He attended Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. He was discharged from the Air Force in 1958.

5) Thomas David Furnish
b. 4 Feb. 1946
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Thomas Furnish graduated from Fort Wayne High School in 1964. He served in the U. S. Marine Corp from 1965-1967 in Active Duty, and in the Reserves from 1967-1969.

He worked at the Fort Wayne Drug Co. for a while but is presently employed by the Indiana and Michigan Electric Co. 1976.

4) Bernice Marie Furnish
b. 10 Apr. 1898 Auburn, Indiana
m. never married
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran/Seventh-Day Adventist
occupation: Stenographer

Bernice Furnish, was born on Easter Sunday, at the home of her parents on S. Ceder St., in Auburn, Indiana. She was delivered by Dr. Buchtel, and Laura Keran was the trained nurse in charge. She attended Harrison grade school, and played the children's games of her day, "Run Sheepie Run," and "Hide and go Seek." She attended Auburn High School, and Tri-State College in Angola, Indiana, taking a stenographic course. She had taken piano lessons for some years, and remembers playing Rachmaninoff's Prelude in 4 sharps for a special performance while at Tri-State College. She also attended Thomas Commercial School in South Bend, Indiana.

She worked at many and varied places. Her first job was at the Auburn Automobile Co., where she worked for 2 years. She then went to the Wayne Tank and Pump Co., in Fort Wayne, here she stayed with her great Uncle Abreham and Aunt Sylvia Furnish. Uncle Abe made a lasting impression on Bernice. She observed that each morning and each evening he read his Bible and then knelt by his chair to pray.

Her next job was in the Records Office of the Auburn Courthouse. Then in 1942 she went to work for the U. S. War Department, Washington, D. C. This office was the first one that moved into the new Pentagon Building, Arlington Farms, Virginia. While in Washington she lived at the Arlington Farms Government House, living in the Maine Hall. (The Halls are all named after the States.) After a couple of years with the War Dept. she transferred to the Department of Justice and worked there until 1947 when she left and came home to help her father, as her mother was very ill, and her father was 75, and still working every day, and trying to keep up the home and take care of his wife. Bernice enjoyed her work in Washington, and has many happy memories. She recalls that President Franklin D. Roosevelt was in office then, and Francis Biddle was the Attorney General.

Some of her other memories are: a cruise on the Potamac, on a 3-decked ship; Arlington Cemetery, which was across from the 'Halls' where she lived; all the Government Buildings and statues and monuments. The Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md.; Niagara Falls; New York City, and the World's Fair; Gettysburg Battlefield in Pa., and of course the new Pentagon building at 18th and Constitution Ave., where she worked.

She never married, yet made plans twice, both times the relationship was broken.

As a small child of 2 or 3 years of age she started attending church and Sunday School at St. Marks Lutheran Church in Auburn, with her parents, there she made lasting friendships that continue until this day. She attended there for nearly 25 years. After moving with her parents to Mishawaka she and her mother attended a Baptist church some, and one day she recalls she and her mother coming home and finding her father asleep in a chair with one of her mother's hats on. He thought he would stay awake until they got home, and did it for fun thinking it would break up the monotony. They

all had a good laugh anyway. In South Bend Bernice attended the Seventh-Day Adventist church and her parents attended the Gospel Center Church. Bernice for some time did play the piano for the River Park Methodist Church in South Bend.

She has been in good health, except for being afflicted with tinnitus (ringing in the ears) since having the flu many years ago. She has sought cures from Mayo Hospital, as well as Chicago and Fort Wayne specialists, with no relief.

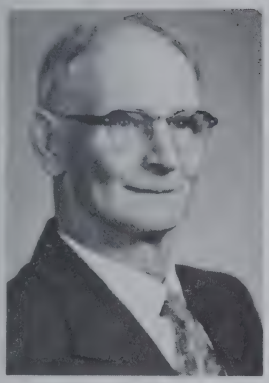
After her fathers death in 1962 she sold the house and bought a mobile home, later she sold that now lives in a small apartment on N. Ceder St., (She was born on S. Ceder St.) She is not allowed to have the sound on on herT. V., as it disturbes the other tenents, so she goes to the Eckhart Library and reads the Chicago Tribune and the Fort Wayne Journal Gazette for a pass-time, and to keep up on current events.

She doesn't attend church anymore, as she cannot hear well enough. In politics she is a Democrat.

Francis Marion (Frank) Furnish Age 21

Clyde Otho Furnish
Age 23

Vesta Violia Ostrander
Age 21



Clyde Furnish
Age 70

Violia Furnish
Age 63

Clyde & Violia (Ostrander) Furnish Farm

Clyde O. Furnish
Age 90

3) Clyde Otho Furnish
b. 23 Nov. 1886 Clinton Co., Mich.
m. 21 Dec. 1910 Ionia, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Mason/Farmer

m. Vesta Violia Ostrander
b. 1 June 1890 Ionia Co., Mich.
d. 16 Feb. 1954 Ann Arbor, Mich.
cause: Cancer/Congestive Ht. Failure
burial: Middlebury Cem., Shia. Co., Mi.
church: Methodist
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Salem Caushes & Anna Viola (Powell) Ostrander

Clyde Otho Furnish, the eldest of three children born to William H. and Ada E. (Sawyer) Furnish, was born in a log house on Essex Center Road (W. of the R. R. tracks) in Bengal Twp., Clinton Co., Michigan. This was located six miles west of St. Johns, on what was known as the John Jury farm. He weighed 10 pounds at birth, and was delivered by Dr. Henry A. Palmer, M. D. of St. Johns.

When Clyde was a small boy his father bought five acres of ground on Chandler road, Bengal Twp., and built a four room house. He remembers that there were three large wild cherry trees on the back of the property, and that his father cut them down and used them for timbers underneath the house.

He also remembers that his father made and baked the pancakes in their home when ever they had them, and remembers him sometimes grilling a slice of bread with pancake batter on each side, and how they, as children, looked forward to his special treat with maple syrup poured over the top.

Clyde attended the Parkers School for most of his formal education. For one year he and his sister and brother attended the Rowell School in Duplain Twp. It was only one mile from their home and the Parkers School was a mile and a half. Also they could ride with their father,as he went by the school, on his way to "run his mail route." Each morning he went to Rochester Colony (a settlement of people from Rochester, New York) and picked up mail and delivered it to Shepherdsville, then he delivered the mail from Shepherdsville to "The Colony" and her surroundings. He also delivered mail on his way home and down the side roads as well. Along with the mail he also delivered the "Free Press Paper" and the "Grit" magazine. His father left the paper deliveries in the neighborhood for Clyde to do after he got home from school.

He didn't start attending school until he was seven years of age, as he had a mile and a half to walk alone. He and his sister, Effie, started at the same time. Their first teacher was Margaret Kelley. Clyde completed the eighth grade and then reviewed the eighth grade two different winter terms. One time at the Parkers School and again at Ovid # 6, as he was working away from home doing chores for his room and board at the Charley Walkers.

It was the custom, at that time, to alternate with a "spell down" one one Friday afternoon and "deciphering" (mental arithmetic) the next. He has excelled in both, spelling and oral arithmetic, all his life. His children like to brag about 'their Dad' working an advanced arithmetic problem for his sister-in-law, Ruth Ostrander, when even the principal and the math teacher, along with the rest of the class, were unable to get the answer which was given in the book. They had all determined that the answer in the book must be wrong! Clyde proved the book to be correct. (Ruth was in the 12th grade at Corunna High at the time.)

Clyde remembers another experience he had as a young man of about seventeen. He was in St. Johns one late afternoon and it started to rain, and just wouldn't quit. It was getting late and he didn't want to ride his bicycle five miles in a pouring rain. So he crawled up in the hay mow of Jack Burnham's Feed Barn. This was a barn where people tied their horses and fed them if they were going to be there any length of time. Clyde went to sleep thinking he was the only one up there but at day break he was awakened by a black man who said: "hey boss, what time is it?" And the mow

was suddenly alive with men. He was greatly surprised.

Clyde was eighteen when his father died at age seventy. Clyde, Effie and Earl were his children by his second wife, as he had lost his first wife at age 34. The following year Clyde went to work in Ionia, in a railroad car shop, repairing the damaged freight cars for the 'Chicago Hamilton & Dayton' and the 'Pere Marquette' railroads.

His next job was in Lansing where he worked for Jake Slate at the Lansing Artificial Stone Co. His first job was helping finish a "cellar bottom." He also worked for The Robert Martin Stone Co., and for the V. D. Minnis Co. He helped to lay the sidewalks around and approaching our State Capital. He remembers that one summer he and Bill Best, another cement finisher, "crawled on their hands and knees seventeen miles finishing sidewalks." Clyde is left handed and Bill was right handed so they worked together very well; Clyde finishing the right side and Bill the left.

While working in Ionia he met Violia Ostrander. They first met when she was 14 years of age. At that time her brother, George, was dating Maude Jones. Her mother Charlotte Jones rented rooms and roarded two young men, Clyde Furnish and Rob Rolland. Violia and her sister, Alma, were not allowed to date young men, but were allowed to go to Ionia with their brother George. So it was at the Jones home that they first met. At first Clyde escorted Alma and Rob escorted Violia. Their first time out together was to attend a dance put on by the "Royal Neighbors" which was the women's division of the Modern Woodman at that time. Clyde had become a member of the Modern Woodman 31 August 1905 in St. Johns. He was 19 years of age.

One night George brought the young people all out to their home for a sleigh ride and then they played games in the house afterwards. This was the only time that Clyde ever saw his father-in-law to be. He sat in the kitchen all evening by the stove. He talked to the young people as they came out in the kitchen, but he was a sick man, and died when Violia was 16 years of age with what was called at that time "neuralgia of the heart." His heart was greatly enlarged, the doctor said it was as"large as an ox's heart, and that he drowned in his own fluid."

After her father's death Violia went to work for her room and board and a small amount of money doing housework. She worked in Greenville, and Ionia mostly. It was while working in the home of Clinton Buris that she became ill with what the doctor again diagnosed as "neuralgia of the heart," the same thing her father had. She was confined to her bed for several weeks and the rest of her life was afflicted with angina pectoris.

After Clyde and Violia had made definite plans to marry, Clyde rented the upstairs flat in the house his childhood friend, Jim Curtin lived in at 216 W. Main St. Lansing. He says he will never forget the day that Jim and Lena Schuller were married. It was 26 May 1910. He and most of the other young people that attended the wedding stayed up most of the night watching Halley's Comet. He said: "It was a clear night, the comet was very bright with a long tail that shone like a string of electric lights with a haze all around it." "It was quite a curiosity, and worth watching." "Many people thought that when the tail touched the earth it would bring the end of the world."

The following December Clyde and Violia were married. They were married on the 21st of December 1910 in Ionia, Michigan by Henry C. Clark, Justice of the Peace. He was a friend of the Ostrander family.

After the ceremony they came back to Lansing to live in the flat Clyde had rented. There was only one key to the house and it was kept over the door on the ledge. When Clyde reached for the key it was no where to be found. No one was at home down stairs and the key was missing. It was the later part of December, the weather was quite chilly, and he had his new bride here with her trunk. Suddenly he remembered he had ordered coal a few days before so he checked to see if the door into the coal bin had

been secured from the inside. He found it had not been, so he crawled through the door to the coal shute and over the freshly delivered coal, and then unlocked the door from the inside and let Violia in. They hurridly got her trunk upstairs and the doors closed and the lights out as quickly as possible. In just a few minutes the Curtin's and many of their friends arrived all ready to chivaree them when they arrived. Clyde and Vi listened in on the conversation from the downstairs and felt very smug because they had outsmarted them! The next morning Lena heard sounds upstairs and she and Jim came up and discovered they had been there all the time. They showered them with rice and they were chivareed about two weeks later.

For a wedding gift, Clyde had a beautiful new solid walnut bedroom suite in the flat to greet Vi, as well as a set of crystal stemware and punch cups and a set of Wm. Rogers 1881 A-1 silverware in the new grape design.

Clyde recalls that Jim Curtin's parents lived the next farm to his grandparents and that one time his Grandpa Sawyer sprayed his potatoes with Paris-green and that later in the day Pat Curtin's turkeys came over into the potato patch and walked right down the rows eating the potato bugs that had fallen. His turkeys all died. There were hard feelings over that, even though neither family had noticed the turkeys over on Sawyer's property. Jim and Clyde, however, remained good friends.

Their next move was to 910 E. Saginaw and then they bought a home at 517 E. Saginaw, between Cedar and Larch streets. After five years of working with cement Clyde became more and more plagued with epistaxis. The doctor felt it had to be the lime in the mortar that was causing them, and suggested that he try living in the country. So they moved to Newburg (near Bancroft and Vernon) where he worked as a farm hand for John Corruthers for five years. On 1 March 1920 they moved onto the Wallace Moore farm, located at the corner of the Garrison and Scribner roads, five miles S. E. of Corunna. They worked this farm on shares with the following agreement;

> "Clyde Furnish, party of the second part, agrees to furnish horses and tools and do the work. Each party to furnish one half of the cows, hogs and poultry; also the seed for crop planting. Each party to stand one half the expense of binder twine, coal for threshing and threshing bills and such feed as may be needed for stock. Any stock being sick and needing the attention of a veterinary is to be employed by second party and the expense to be divided equally between each party. There being 14 acres of wheat on said farm second party is to harvest same and retain one half of the crop, but shall leave 14 acres of wheat on said farm at the expiration of the lease. All work horses as well as other stock kept on said farm is to be fed from the undivided crops, any surplus not needed for stock and other crops not raised for feeding purposes to be divided and sold and each divided equally between each party. Also young stock, poultry, eggs and cream to be divided equally. Secured party is allowed to cut such wood as he may need for one stove."

This was a 160 acre farm, with a sixteen room house. They signed this contract on 24 February 1920, it was extended until 1 March 1935. With the contract was a verbal agreement that Clyde could buy the farm as soon as he was able to pay off the existing mortgage in the amount of $6000. The sale price of the farm was then $19,000.

They were about to make the transaction when the depression of 1929 hit, and their dreams were shattered. They lived here, however, for 15 years.

Then 1 March 1935 they moved near Morrice, on the Gallagher Farm, and in March of 1945 they moved near Ovid on the Shufelt farm, and finally on 1 March 1950 they were able to buy their own farm on Dewey road near Baldwin road in Middlebury Twp., Shiawassee co. This farm was formerly known as the Fred Kline farm and consisted of

65 acres, 15 of which was woods. Here they had an eight room house with modern conveniences and some young fruit trees, an asparagus bed, etc. They were very happy here, then in December of 1953 Violia became ill, and it was discovered that she had cancer of the stomach. She was sent to Ann Arbor to the University Hospital where she underwent major surgery with not too favorable prognosis. Ten days after surgery she went into congestive heart failure and died the next day 16 February 1954.

Violia was the 5th of 7 children born to Salem Caushes and Anna Viola (Powell) Ostrander. Her sisters and brothers were, Sarabelle, George Gilbert, Charles Chester (Chet), Alma Ann, Salem Samuel, and Ruth R. (?Ruby) Ostrander.

Violia was born in Sebewa Twp., Ionia Co., Michigan. Her parents owned a 40 acre farm at that time, but later sold it and bought a 160 acre farm west of Lyons, here Violia attended Lyons High School through the 10th grade.

Their farm homes were always like "Grand Central Station," and especially the Moore farm with it's sixteen rooms. Clyde's mother lived with them for many years after she sold her home in Maple Rapids, and aunts and uncles lived with them from time to time and helped with the work, as well as their oldest daughter, Beatrice, and her husband. They looked forward to company nearly every Sunday. This was their touch with the outside world, as they were tied down with cattle and much work.

Vi was a hard worker, she made all her own bread, 10 loaves at a time, and sometimes twice a week. She did all her own baking and early taught her daughters how to do it. She churned her own butter for many years, and sewed for her children as well as taught them how when old enough. She was a good cook and could put a fine meal on the table in short order. She canned, and pickled food stuffs from the garden and the orchard, and made jellies and jams and fruit butters.

Clyde worked hard all his life. He was a steady worker, working at about the same pace all day long. On rainy days he always had work to do that he had saved for a 'rainy day' and one could usually find him in the tool shed repairing machinery or in the barn repairing a harness or sharpening mower teeth, and other tools on the grindin wheel, or perhaps repairing a pair of shoes.

He started working away from home at eleven years of age. The years he worked in Lansing as a mason, top bricklayers only got $.60 per hour, finishers $.30 and labors $.20. Then when he worked for John Corruthers at Newburg, (he owned 1000 acres and was the largest sheep feeder in the area, as well as feeder cattle, and was the biggest potato producer in Shiawassee Co., harvesting over 20,000 bu. a year from more than 100 acres) they dug the potatoes with machinery, but they wore knee pads and crawled on their hands and knees, between two rows at a time, picking up the potatoes by hand. One spring they tapped 750 trees and made maple syrup from it. Then when Clyde started farming on his own it was up before dawn to get the chores done as well as the milking, then out in the fields with the horses until noon, and back after dinner until 6 o'clock. The horses soon learned that when the dinner bell rang that meant a rest and food for them also, and sometimes didn't even want to finish out the row they were working. Many years later he used a tractor.

Some of Clyde's happiest times were the harvesting seasons, when the farmers all helped each other thrash. The thrashing machine and the farmers moved from farm to farm until the crops were all harvested.

Clyde first learned to drive a 1912 Clark truck, made by Clark Carriage in Lansing (R. E. Olds started out working at Clark Carriage). The first car he owned was a 1923 Ford Model T he bought from a neighbor, Wilbur Bennett, in 1924. He drove until he was 87 years old and never had an accident, or was the cause of anyone else having one. When his last license expired, 21 March 1972, he never tried to have it renewed.

One of the high points in Clyde's life was in August 1933 when for the first time he met his half-sister Adella (Furnish) Lochner. A cousin, David Grosh, hired a friend to drive him and his wife Laura, their son Marion and daughter Ruth to Mich-

igan to meet Clyde and Vi and their family. They brought Adella with them. It was a very exciting time for all. They had corresponded for many years, and Adella'a two daughters, Vera and Mabel, and Clyde had corresponded since they were teenagers. And now they finally had met! Clyde was 47 Adella was 65 at the time.

Then two years later, in August of 1935, Clyde and Vi were driven to Indiana by their daughter and son-in-law, Marion and Kenneth Harris, and they met Clyde's half-brother, Frank (Marion Francis) Furnish. This all seemed like a drean that had come true. Today (1976) it seemes like not much of a task to drive to Auburn, Indiana with our high powered automobiles and super-highways, but back in the Model T and Model A era it was a "long" trip.

As a teenager Clyde attended the Young Peoples Social Endeaver Society, which was made up of the young people from the Methodist Church and the Disciples Church at Rochester Colony. At sixteen he finished the Catechism Class and was supposed to be baptized along with the others in the class by Elder Findley, pastor of the Disciples Church in Maple Rapids, but the Elder became ill so could not do it as scheduled. When he was well enough to reschedule the baptismal service Clyde was working for Charley Knoup who lived N. W. of St. Johns and wasn't able to be present, as his only transportation was his bicycle.

Charley Knoup was a German Methodist who always said the same grace, three times a day, in German. So in a short while Clyde had learned to imitate him but was not real sure what he was saying. This started a family tradition since his birthday is on the 23rd of November and so close to Thanksgiving his family always celebrated the two together as long as it was possible to do so. And as an added bit of nostalgia Clyde was always requested to offer his "German Grace". Something he can still do at 90 years of age.

He has a 'dry' sense of humor and always enjoyed a good prank or joke. He could change his voice and talk in different dialects, and his children begged him over and over at these celebrations to tell favorite jokes, we all knew so well, for the benefit of the new comers at the table.

His baptism was delayed many years. They never lived in an area with a 'little country church' near by. While he and Vi were rearing their large family it was very difficult to milk a herd of cows and then get everyone ready and travel five miles to the nearest village church; first in a horse and buggy, then the Model T and finally the Model A. They taught their children the true values in life, as best they could, without the help of the church. But on 14 April 1946 Clyde and his youngest daughter, Genevieve, were both baptized and he and Vi and Genevieve all became members of the Middlebury Methodist Church, which was located about two miles from where they lived at that time. The Reverend Herbert N. Hichens was their pastor.

In later years he said the Poem "Hoeing" pretty much expressed how he farmed:

HOEING

Said Farmer Jones in a whining tone to his good old neighbor Grey,
"I've worn my knees through to the bones, but it ain't no use to pray.
Your corn looks twice as good as mine, tho' you don't pretend to be
A shining light in the church to shine, and tell salvation's free.

I've prayed to the Lord a thousand times to make this here corn grow,
And why yourn beats so and climbs, I'd give a world to know."
Said Farmer Grey to Farmer Jones in his easy, quiet way,
"When prayers get mixed with lazy bones, they don't make farmin' pay.

Your weeds, I notice, are good and tall, in spite of all your prayers.
You may pray for corn till the heavens fall, if you don't dig up the tares.

I mix my prayers with a little toil along in every row,
  And I work this mixture into the soil, quite vigorous with a hoe,
An' I've discovered, tho' still in sin, as sure as you are born,
  This kind of compost, well worked in, makes pretty decent corn.

"So while I'm prayin' I use my hoe and do my level best
  To keep down the weeds along each row, an' the Lord, he does the rest.
It's well for you to pray both night an' morn, as every farmer knows,
  But the place to pray for thrifty corn is right between the rows.

You must use your hands while prayin' tho', if an answer you would get,
  For prayer worn knees and a rusty hoe never raised a big crop yet.
And so I believe, my good, old friend, if you want to win the day,
  From plowing, clean to the harvest's end, you must hoe as well as pray."

Anonymous

Clyde has always enjoyed working in the garden and working around the shrubs in the yard. After Vi died he continued to set out her gladiolus and dahlia bulbs every spring until he left the farm the winter of 1971-2 and went to live with his youngest daughter, Genevieve, and her husband, Abe Eldridge, and their four daughters in Owosso and even then he took the bulbs with him, and is still setting them out.

His family was able to help him celebrate his 85th birthday on the farm. A short while after that he sold his farm to one to his grandsons, Dean D. Furnish.

Besides belonging to the Modern Woodman since he was nineteen years of age, he was a member of the Odd Fellow Lodge and attended regularly for many years. In party politics he declares himself a Republican, but votes for the man not the party.

Now in his 90th year (1976) he still trys to take a walk every day, or else works in the garden, weather permitting. He uses a cane or the hoe, as the case may be. He has always been an avid reader and kept up on world affairs, but now his eyes won't let him read as much as he used to, but he still listens to the 11:00 o'clock news before going to bed.

He has always been known for his honesty and integrity and believed "a man is as good as his word." He was always considered a good neighbor.

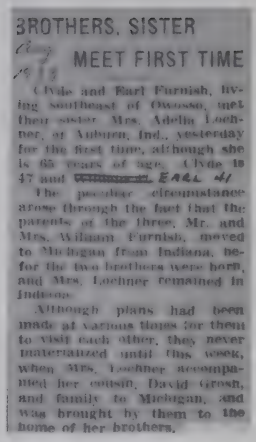
There was a deep and abiding love between Clyde and Vi, and he sat and held her hand as she crossed over to meet the redeemed on the other side. She had asked her family not to pray that she would recover if she couldn't be well, and said she was not afraid of dying, her house was in order. She left a host of friends and loved ones.

Clyde is much loved by his large family of six living children, 24 grandchildren, and 37 great-grandchildren. Two daughters have died and three grandchildren.

Clyde and Violia were the parents of nine children. Everett the eldest was born three months premature and only lived a few hours. The other children are Beatrice Beth, Marion Mae, Vera Viola, Eugene Ernest, Jane Julia, Edith Esther, Clinton Clyde, and Genevieve Gaytha Furnish.

Aug. 1933--Brothers, Sister Meet First Time:

David Grosh, Friend of Groshes, Jane Furnish, Ruth Grosh, Marion Furnish, Laura Grosh, Beatrice Breiler Violia Furnish, Clinton Furnish in front, Adella Lochner, Marion Grosh and Clyde Furnish.



BROTHERS, SISTER MEET FIRST TIME

Clyde and Earl Furnish, living Southeast of Owosso, met their sister, Mrs. Adella Lochner, of Auburn, Ind., yesterday for the first time, although she is 65 years of age. Clyde is 47 and EARL 41

The peculiar circumstance arose through the fact that the parents of the three, Mr. and Mrs. William Furnish, moved to Michigan from Indiana, before the two brothers were born, and Mrs. Lochner remained in Indiana.

Although plans had been made at various times for them to visit each other, they never materialized until this week, when Mrs. Lochner accompanied her cousin, David Grosh, and family to Michigan, and was brought by them to the home of her brothers.

August 1935--Clyde Furnish in Indiana with his half sister, Adella Lochner and half brother, 'Frank' Furnish.

Aug. 1933--Vera, Clyde, Violia Furnish, Adella Lochner, Elsie & Earl Furnish, Beatrice Breiler Marion Furnish. In front: Eugene, Clinton & Jane Furnish

4) Beatrice Beth Furnish
b. 15 June 1913 Lansing, Michigan
m. 26 June 1930 Corunna, Michigan
d. 10 Dec. 1937 Durand, Michigan
cause: Train/Auto Accident
burial: Sowles Cem., Maple Rapids
church: Methodist Episcopal
occupation: Homemaker/Domestic

m. William (Bill) Fred Breiler
b. 18 Aug 1906 Gibson City, Ill.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: German Lutheran
occupation: Farmer/Park Attendant/School Custodian
son of: Fred and Emma Dryer

Beatrice Beth Furnish was born in the Edward W. Sparrow Hospital, Lansing, Mich. 15 June 1913. The delivery room fee at that time was #3.00 and the total bill for both she and her mother from June 15 to June 28 was only $25.25. She was born with lots of long dark brown hair and the nurses put a little blue ribbon in her hair before they brought her to her mother; after she had been bathed and dressed after delivery. Beatrice was delivered by Dr. Doolittle, M.D.

When she was two years old she moved with her parents to Newburg. They first lived on the Rippey farm and later moved to the Hoisington farm, both then owned by Corruthers, the later place had a better house. It was on Lemon road. Here Beatrice attended Shiawassee No 1 country school. This school was in continuous use from Jan. 1857 until May 1962, when it was sold for a dwelling. The bell was removed from the school and is mounted on a concrete slab beside the stone marker in Shiawassee Square which was erected by the Shiawassee chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution. It was erected in 1926 and reads: "This square of land was set aside for public use when Shiawassee-Town was platted in 1837 in hope the Capital of Michigan would be located here." The records were brought here from Detroit and held for a day, but before the day ended Lansing had won over, as the site, and Shiatown has been celebrated as "Capital for a Day." The little town straddles the Shiawassee River about six miles southeast of Corunna.

In 1920 they moved onto the Wallace Moore farm located at the corner of Garrison and Scribner roads. She attended the Lemon School which was located in that very corner of the farm. The school got it's name from the John & Julia Ann (Trowbridge) Lemon Family who purchased land here in 1839 and settled there in 1843. They had eleven children and many of them lived here in Shiawassee Twp., Shiawassee Co., in Sections 14, 15, 10 and 11. The Lemon's were strong supporters of schools. Mrs. Moore was formerly Julia M. Lemon. She was a daughter of John and Julia Lemon.

Beatrice attended the Lemon School through the eighth grade, and then attended Corunna High School through the eleventh grade. She lived in town, working for her room and board through the week, and came home on the week-ends. For a while she lived with Julia Moore. In Corunna she attended some of the functions of the Methodist church with Mrs. Moore, and frequently attended Epworth League on Sunday evening.

Beatrice and William F. Breiler were married 26 June 1930 in the parsonage of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Corunna, with the Reverend B. A. Cramten, pastor, officiating. They were attended by Bill's brother, Albert of Venice, and Catherine Bursick, of Bancroft, a friend.

Beatrice had lovely handwriting, and worked well with her hands. She sewed and liked to embroidery and did beautiful work with small even stitches. She loved the out-of-doors too, and enjoyed flowers and the animals. She was a'fun' person too. She liked music, and enjoyed dancing and to be on the go, doing something.

She especially loved babies, and wanted children of her own desperately, but was denied this privilege. She was especially fond of her baby sister, Genevieve, born three years after she and Bill were married. Since her mother was 43 she couldn't understand why it couldn't have been her instead.

Her husband, Bill, early in life became a victim of osteomyelitis of the leg. As a young lad, playing baseball, he was hit in the leg with a base ball bat. He has been hospitalized and has undergone surgery on it numerous times. Because of this injury and the problems that kept occuring he had to quit doing heavy work, but worked many years as Park Attendant at McCurdy Park in Corunna, then worked in the school as one of the custodians. He is now retired and lives near New Lothrup.

Beatrice and Bill were not able to make their marriage work so had separated three years before Beatrice was killed when the car in which she was riding crashed into a moving Grand Trunk Western train near the intersection of M-78 and M-71, just north of Durand, in a blinding snowstorm. She was twenty-four.

She had only been home for a week when it happened. She had been in Detroit with her sister and brother-in-law, Vera and Vincent Harris, trying to find work. All she had been able to find since their separation was house work.

She had gone to Perry to help a cousin and her husband out, Genevieve (Balcom) and Jack Hoag. They had recently moved there and had three children, the oldest not quite three.

According to Jack's sister they didn't leave the house until after 11 p. m. They went to Morrice, two miles away, to the Community Hall to attend a party. They didn't stay very long. All three of them were killed along with Carl Euler the driver of the car. Later someone said they overheard them talking as they left, and had said they were going to Flint for a steak supper, and wanted to get there before the place closed. They were all approximately the same age.

Beatrice was taken to Mapes Chapel in Durand. Her funeral was at 1:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon with the Reverend William Schlitts, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church in Corunna, officiated. Interment was in Soules Cemetery, near Maple Rapids.

Bill remarried 13 March 1940. He married Emma Duntley. They have two children, Maxine and Clayton Breiler.

4) Marion Mae Furnish
b. 24 Feb. 1917 Vernon Twp., Mich.
m. 30 June 1934 Durand, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker

m. Kenneth Leroy Harris
b. 20 Aug. 1915 Venice Twp., Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: United Methodist Minister
son of: James Leroy & Catherine Elizabeth (Avey) Harris

Marion Furnish was born near Newburg, about one quarter mile southeast of where Geeck and Newberry roads intersect, in Vernon Twp., Shiawassee Co., Michigan. This farm home at that time was known as the Rippey farm.

When she was three years old she moved with her family onto the Wm. Wallace Moore farm. This farm was located at the corner of Garrison and Scribner roads. Here she attended the Lemon School through the eighth grade. Her high school years were very difficult years as this was the peak of the 'depression'. Her freshman and sophomore years she rode back and forth daily with other students. Her junior year and through that summer plus her senior year until January she worked for her room and board acting as 'nurse maid' to Judy and Joe Robbins III. Their father, Joseph Robbins, was part owner at that time of Robbins Furniture Factory in Owosso.

In January of her senior year she went to work for Beatrice and Harry Casteel. They were expecting their second child and needed some extra help. She worked for them until after their daughter, Sharon, was born and then went home to help her mother.

Her mother was expecting her ninth child, and she was age forty-three. Marion stayed home from November through January. Her baby sister, Genevieve Gaytha, was born 14 December 1933.

The first of the year she went back to Casteels for a while and then took a job for the next six months working for Edith and Frank Moore, taking care of his mother Julia Moore. (Moore's owned the farm her parents lived on). Mrs. Moore was now in her eighty's and they didn't want her left alone. They had to be away during the day as they owned and operated the local bakery in Corunna. Marion worked there until the end of June when she and Kenneth Harris were married.

Kenneth and Marion had attended high school together, however, Marion graduated a year before Kenneth as she graduated when she was sixteen. She had taken three grades in two years at the Lemon School. Marion graduated in June 1933 and Kenneth in June 1934 both from Corunna High School.

Their wedding ceremony took place Saturday, 30 June 1934 at high noon in the home of the groom's sister and brother-in-law, Dorothy and Fred West. Mr and Mrs. West also acted as their attendants. The Reverend Frank Cookson, pastor of the Durand Methodist Episcopal Church officiated.

A wedding repast was served following the ceremony and at 8:00 o'clock supper was served to the bridal party in the home of the bride's parents southeast of Corunna and where they spent their first night together as Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth L. Harris. Late that night a large chivaree took place to help celebrate the occasion.

The next day they left on a wedding trip to Indiana to visit relatives. Returning home they lived with the groom's parents. Soon they were able to build a lovely home a few rods from his parents home. It was located on the Geeck road between Perett and Lytle roads. It was here that Kenneth felt 'the call' to the ministry, however he resisted it for three years. In 1946 he made the final decision. They sold their home to Vera and Leo Rothe, friends in the Corunna Methodist Episcopal church, where they were members and were taking an active part. They moved to

Wilmore, Kentucky where they had purchased a rather large home and were able to room students upstairs to help some with their expenses. Kenneth enrolled in Asbury College here.

Kenneth Harris was born near Kerby on the farm he had lived on all his life before going to Kentucky. He attended Lytle School through the eighth grade, then Corunna High School and on 1 June 1949 he graduated from Asbury College with his A. B. Degree. He then enrolled in Asbury Theological Seminary and was assigned as pastor of the Fullerton Methodist Church, Fullerton, Kentucky. He served here for three years. He then transferred to Hamma Divinity School, a Lutheran Seminary, in Springfield, Ohio and was assigned as pastor of the Trinity Methodist Church in Manchester, Ohio, where he served for one year.

He graduated from Hamma on 16 May 1954 with his B. D. Degree and was ordained in June of that year at the Detroit Annual Conference of the Methodist Church by Bishop Marshall Reed. At Conference he was assigned to serve the Methodist Church in Byron, Shiawassee Co. He served here for fifteen years. In 1966 he was assigned the church in Grass Lake, Jackson, Co.; and in 1969 to the Lexington/Bethel Charge, Lexington, Sanilac Co., all in Michigan. They are still serving Lexington/Bethel 1976.

Marion accepted her changed role, from farmer's wife to 'queen' of the parsonage with willingness and grace and has been loved by each congregation they have served. She is a good mother and has spent much time with their children, helping them with their education and problems, filling the gap when she had to act as father as well as mother the many hours Kenneth had to be away. She is a woman with insight, understanding and determination. She possesses many skills, and gives others the feeling she is self-confidant. She is an able speaker, and is frequently asked to do so at banquets, retreats, mother's clubs, and on occasion has preached the Sunday sermons when Kenneth became too ill, or was absent, and could not do it. She has taught Sunday School most of her married life.

Marion is an avid reader and likes to do cross-word puzzles. She sews and likes to crochet, embroidery and do floral arrangements.

Kenneth is a good preacher and pastor. He feels his best work is done in the 'ministry of calling'. He is a versatile person; he is mechanical and usually repairs his own car. He likes to work with wood and with glass, and always leaves a parsonage in better condition then when they arrived.

The Byron church honored them with an 'Open House' for their twenty-fifty wedding anniversary. They also honored Kenneth with an appreciation party entitled, "This Is Your Life Kenneth Harris", for his part in helping with the building of their new educational unit.

First the architect drew the preliminary plans then Kenneth reworked them to meet the needs of their congregation, with the approval of the Official Board, then the plans were given back to the architect and he re-drew them. The congregation there still compliment him on the terrific job he did as it still "meets their every need". He also helped a great deal in the manual labor, when he was available, which they appreciated.

The "This Is Your Life" part came as a complete surprise. Only Marion knew about it. It was a real success with many people out of his past being present, with many humorous experiences of the past to reflect upon, as well as many pictures. Of course it was brought up to date, 1962.

In February of 1966 Kenneth was privileged to go on an eleven day tour of Mission Work in Haiti. This was an all expense paid trip, again a gift of the Byron church.

Kenneth is an "early to bed, early to rise" sort of person. He is very ambitious, a hard worker, and finds it hard for him to relax. Marion is more calm, and works at an even pace. She plans her work well ahead, but like most minister's wives she is not always able to work her plan. Their personalities compliment each other.

The only major illness they have had to cope with was in 1974 when Marion was diagnosed as having endometrial cancer. This was diagnosed in July and four weeks in July and August were given to X-ray treatments, followed immediately with a six day Radium emplant at Mercy Hospital, Port Huron. Six weeks later on 31 October a complete hysterectomy was performed.

On the night previous to surgery a long distance call from Philadelphia was received from the Reverend Harold Dakin. He was anointed, and prayed for 'in proxy' through the Order of St. Luke at St. Stephens church. Marion reported that many times, too weak to pray or have much interest in anything, there was always a constant awareness of God's abiding presence and a sense that all was well. She attributes this to the constant flow of prayers that were being offered in her behalf not only locally but from far and near.

She had nearly recovered from the cancer treatment and surgery when they were hit broad side, by another car. Kenneth was not hurt, but Marion suffered for several months with crushed ribs on the right side and the effects of a pneumothorax when the crushed ribs perforated the pleura. This summer, however, she has done very well and check-up reports are all excellent.

In June of 1975 the Lexington/Bethel churches had a anniversary party for them. They thought it was their fortieth anniversary but it was actually their forty-first. They were given a generous purse that enabled them to take a three day holiday into Canada where they visited Stratford-upon-Avon.

To this union six children were born: Shirley Anne, Robert Leroy, Carol Jeanne, Allan Clyde, Debra Kay and Jeffery Lee Harris.

Marion & Kenneth Harris 1974

Marion (Furnish) and Kenneth Harris & their 5 children: Allan, Jeffery, Shirley, Robert and Debra. 1975

5) Shirley Anne Harris
b. 24 May 1935 Owosso, Michigan
m. 4 Aug. 1956 Byron, Michigan
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker +

m. Raymond Joseph Doxsey
b. 3 Aug. 1936 Cincinnati, Ohio
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Church of God/United Methodist
occupation: Piping Supt.
son of: Ernest & Lillian Violet (Rose) Doxsey

Shirley Harris was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. She lived on a farm near Kerby and attended the Lytle School until she was eleven years of age. At that time (1946) she moved with her family to Wilmore, Kentucky. They had lived in Wilmore about three years when her father was assigned as pastor of the Methodist church in Fullerton, Kentucky. He served there for three years and was assigned to the Trinity Methodist church in Manchester, Ohio. Shirley graduated from Manchester High School on 22 May 1953. She then furthered her education by completing a course of study at International Business Machines School in Cincinnati. She went to work at the General Electric Corporation there as a Key Punch Operator and Clerk Typist. G. E. was doing secret Government work. She also worked as private secretary to the District Supervisor of Kawneer Co., makers of aluminum store fronts and entrances, after she quit G. E. But it was while she was working at G. E. that she met and later married Ray Doxsey.

Ray was born in General Hospital, Cincinnati, Ohio. He graduated from Western Hills High School, Cincinnati, and the September after they were married he completed a five year course at Mechanics Institute in Cincinnati.

Shirley and Ray were married in the Byron Methodist church by her father, the Reverend Kenneth L. Harris, pastor of the church. She walked down the aisle on the arm of her uncle, Vincent B. Harris of Troy, Michigan, who gave her in marriage in behalf of her parents and himself. Shirley looked lovely in her bridal gown of Chantilly lace over white satin and net. Her sister Carol was her maid of honor and her sister Debra, age four, served as her flower girl. The best man was Ernest Doxsey brother of the groom. A reception followed the wedding ceremony in the undercroft of the church. Following the reception they left on a short honeymoon, returning to Cincinnati to reside, as they were both employed at General Electric.

Ray served two years in the U. S. Navy. He took his Basic Training at Bambridge, Maryland and then was sent to the base in South Hampton, Bermuda. He was 2nd Class Utility Man on the base. Shirley was able to join him there; in fact their first child Raymond Joseph, Jr. was born at the Navy Base in Bermuda on Father's Day 15 June 1958.

Shirley is a very active person. Among other things she likes to paint and redecorate her home. She plays the piano and has been an 'Avon Lady' for fourteen years. She bowls in three leagues, and coaches cheerleaders for Parchman and Oyler football from August through November. She Coaches between 50 and 60 girls from all over Cincinnati between the ages of 7 and 15. She and Ray are members of Epworth Methodist Church in Mt. Healthy.

Ray is President of the Pipefitters #392 Union. He served on the Pipefitters Apprentice Committee from 1961 to 1973. He liked this job very much but felt he should give it up and spend more time at home. He is Piping Superntendent for B. F. Shaw. He is in charge of the heating, sanitary piping, air conditioning lines in the buildings they work on. At present he is working at Columbia Power House.

Ray is District Supervisor of District #32, which is all the schools in Mt. Healthy School District. Shirley helps Ray schedule the games for approximately 60 teams. Five years ago they set up an Umpire School and insisted on all their umpires attending

each year. Their umpires range in age from 14 to 21. In 1974 Ray was elected Secretary of Greater Cincinnati Knothole Club. (Knothole Baseball is sponsored by the Cincinnati Reds, Powel Crosley, Jr. Amature Baseball Fund and the Cincinnati Recreation Commission). This includes a total of 34 Districts in the Greater Cincinnati area nad Northern Kentucky. This is all non-paying jobs, but they receive a lot of personal satisfaction from helping so many boys and girls.

In 1974 Shirley was asked to set up an Umpire School for girls softball, which she did. Her first class was 25 girls between the ages of 13 and 17. They started the season with 20 girl teams. Ray is also on the Springfield Township Recreation Commission.

Both Ray and Shirley have been given Kentucky Colonel's plaques for their Volunteer work to youth.

The Doxseys are a very close knit family. They have always worked and played and worshiped together.

Ray and Shirley are the parents of five children: Raymond Joseph II (Joe), Cheryl Lee, Douglas Allan, Carol Jeanne, and Timothy Ernest Doxsey.

6) Raymond Joseph Doxsey II (Joe)
b. 15 June 1958 South Hampton Bermuda
m. 25 June 1977 Milford, Ohio
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Student Univ. Cincinnati

m. Sandra Hagedorn
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Joe Doxsey was born in South Hampton, Bermuda on Father's Day. He weighed 6 lbs. 8 oz. at birth. He has lived in Cincinnati, in the Mt. Healthy Subdivision, all of his life. He graduated from Mt. Healthy High School, Cincinnati, Friday evening May 28 at 7:30 from the Riverfront Coliseum, 1976. He played football in high school. He worked all through his last two years of high school. First as a Laborer from 1 to 4 p. m. after school every day. Then his Senior year and his last two summers of high school he worked at Schuller's Restaurant nights and weekends to save money for college. He also umpired base ball and referred basketball.

Joe started at the University of Cincinnati 26 October 1976. He plans on entering the field of Nuclear Engineering. He belongs to the Sigma Chi Fraternity at U. of C. He was an honor student in high school.

The summer of '76 he coached Instructional Football (6 & 7 yr. olds) at Parchman and Oyler Schools.

They were married in the home of the Robert Harrises by her grandfather, the Rev. Kenneth L. Harris of Blanchester, Mi.

6) Cheryl Lee Doxsey m.

b. 30 Sept. 1959 Cincinnati, Ohio	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church:	occupation:
occupation: Student 11th grade 1976-7	son of:

Cheryl Doxsey was born at Jewish Hospital, Cincinnati. She weighed 7 lbs. 15½ oz. She has lived in the Mt. Healthy Subsivision all her life. She takes piano lessons, plays softball and is a Cheer Leader Coach for Parchman and Oyler football. She also plays softball on two teams. She is in the 11th grade at Mt. Healthy High School. She babysits and enjoys buying her own clothes.

6) Douglas Allan Doxsey m.

b. 6 Feb. 1961 Cincinnati, Ohio	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church:	occupation:
occupation: Student 10th grade 1976-7	dau. of:

Douglas Doxsey was born at Bethesda Hospital in Cincinnati, Ohio. He weighed 8 lbs. 10 oz. at birth. He has lived in the Mt. Healthy Subdivision, Cincinnati all his life. Interesting enough his initials spell 'DAD'. He likes to swim and play ball. He also enjoys umpiring baseball. He spends alot of time in the woods back of their house. In 1974 he built a 4 room tree house. He plays offensive end and middle line backer in football and referees basketball.

6) Carol Jeanne Doxsey m.
b. 25 Sept. 1962 Cincinnati, Ohio b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: occupation:
occupation: Student grade 8 1976-7 son of:

Carol Doxsey was born in Bethesda Hospital, Cincinnati, Ohio. She was born at 4:41 a. m. and weighed 7 lbs. 4 oz at birth. She takes piano lessons and is a Cheerleader for Parchman and Oyler football. She plays soccer and softball and is in the eighth grade at South Junior Hi, Mt. Healthy. She enjoys babysitting and does quite a lot of it.

6) Timothy Ernest Doxsey m.
b. 27 June 1965 Cincinnati, Ohio b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: occupation:
occupation: Student grade 6 1976-7 dau. of:

Tim Doxsey was born in Bethesda Hospital, Cincinnati, Ohio. He weighed 6 lbs. 13 oz. at birth. He has lived in the Mt. Healthy Subdivision all his life. At eight years of age he had already won three trophies. One in baseball, one in football and one in basketball. When he received the third one he asked his parents if they would make him a shelf to put his trophy' on. Now he is taking piano lessons, 1976. His initials spell "TED". He attends Matthew Duvall School in Mt. Healthy where he is in the sixth grade.

5) Robert Leroy Harris
b. 18 June 1937 Owosso, Mich.
m. 11 Feb. 1956 Covington, Ky.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Division Manager

m. Peggy Lee Small
b. 14 Nov. 1936 Crayton, Ky.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of:

Robert Harris was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. He was delivered by William F. Weinkauf, M. D. He weighed 8 lbs. 2 oz. at birth.

He lived on a farm near Kerby and attended the Lytle School until he was nine years of age. At that time his parents moved to Wilmore, Kentucky where Bob attended school. He graduated from Wilmore High School May 25, 1955.

In 1949 his father was assigned the Methodist church in Fullerton, Kentucky as pastor. Bob was not happy with the move and choose to go back to Wilmore in 1951. He lived with his grandmother, Catherine Harris, who had sold her farm in Michigan and had moved to Wilmore. He started Asbury College in the fall, and soon dropped out. He decided to go to work in Cincinnati at Tool Steel Gear and Pinion where he soon was the youngest man on the largest machine. Progress was constant for Bob. Before long he had worked on most machines in the plant. As the Plant grew so did his responsibilities. He attended several seminars as well as he took two years of College training at the University of Cincinnati while on the job. The then became foreman.

In 1975 Cincinnati Tool & Steel built a new division for the manufacturing of crane wheels for the steel industry and Bob was named Division Manager.

Bob and Peggy Small were married February 11, 1956 by the Reverend Funk. They were married in the Methodist parsonage in Covington, Kentucky.

Peggy was born at home in Crayton, Kentucky. She attended school at Barterville, (1-3); Headquarters, (4-8) and graduated from Nicholas County High School in 1954. She attended Asbury College one and one quarter year. She is a very talented young mother. She is a beautigul singer and pianist, homemaker and wife. Peggy and Bob are both active in the Trinity United Methodist Church near Milford, Ohio. Bob has held the position of finance chairman, and Administrative Board Chairman, also Adult Coordinator for Trinity church. Peggy has served on the Board of Trustees and sung in the choir.

They have a beautiful tri-level home, with many beautiful trees on small acerage near Milford. Their property boarders a wild life sanctuary at the back. The song birds are legion. They enjoy gardening, and always have a beautiful garden. Their family enjoys cook-out's together as well as fishing. Last summer they spent their vacation on a river boat.

Bob is 6 ft. 4 in. tall. He and Peggy are the parents of three children: Jacqueline Lee, Thomas Leroy and Richard Dean Harris. They are an exceptionally good-looking family.

6) Jacqueline (Jackie) Lee Harris
b. 26 Feb. 1957 Mariemont, Ohio
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Medical Secretary

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Jacqueline Harris was born in Mariemont, Ohio. She weighed 7 lbs. 5 oz. at birth. She attended Goshen School, (K-4); Milford, (5-12). Her last two years were attended at Live Oaks Vocational School. She graduated in 1975. After graduation she went to work at Clermont County Hospital as a Medical Secretary. She likes to bowl, play soft ball and travel. She went to Hawaii in June of 1976.

6) Thomas Leroy Harris
b. 27 Oct. 1958
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Student 12th grade 1976-77

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Thomas Harris was born in Mariemont, Ohio. He weighed 7 lbs. 14 oz. at birth. Tom attended school at Goshen, (K-2) and Milford (3-12). His favorite past time is fishing, however he works part time at McDonalds. He will graduate in 1977 and is considering Dental School.

6) Richard Dean Harris
b. 12 Sept. 1962 Cincinnati, Ohio
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Student

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Richard Harris was born in Cincinnati, Ohio. He weighed 7 lbs. 14 oz. at birth. He has attended school at Milford (K-7). He is artistic and received the Best of Show for his charcoal drawing of a pony in the Youth Art Show at Clermont County College in 1976. He is the only red head in the family. He loves to fish.

Bob and Peg Harris
Jacqueline — age 15
Tom — age 13
Ricky — age 9 1972

5) Carol Jeanne Harris

b. 24 June 1941 Owosso, Michigan
d. 15 Apr. 1959 Perry, Michigan
cause: Train/Auto Collision
burial: Middlebury Cemetery, Shiawassee Co., Mich.
church: Methodist
occupation: High School Senior 1959

Carol Jeanne Harris was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. She lived on a farm near Kerby with her family until she was five years of age. At that time they moved to Wilmore, Kentucky, where she attended school. In 1951 her father was assigned as pastor of the Methodist church in Fullerton, Kentucky, and then to the Trinity church in Manchester, Ohio, finally coming back to Michigan in 1954 to serve the Methodist church in Byron. Carol made new friends easily each time they moved.

She was a lover of music and played the piano and accordion. She also played trombone in the school band for five years and held first chair and sectional leader the last two years. She had part in both the Junior and Senior plays, and served on the Student Council and was a member of Future Home Makers of America and Future Business Leaders of America. She was majoring in commercial work. Carol was active in school and church activities. She was secretary of both the Senior MYF and her Sunday School class and assisted in Vacation Bible School work. Carol often accompanied her father, the Reverend Kenneth L. Harris, as he visited various rest homes. She played her accordion and often sang duets with her father for the shut-in's and they looked forward to their visits.

Carol was killed instantly on Wednesday afternoon, 15 April 1959, as she followed her fiance, Larry Smith also of Byron, in his car. He was driving a truck delivering some farm equipment to Lake Odessa and later planned to return to Byron in his car with Carol. The accident happened one mile east of Perry on the Britton road at 3:57 p. m. at a grade crossing on a country road between Morrice and Perry. They had left right after school had been dismissed. Larry cleared the tracks but Carol did not. She was struck by a fast moving passenger train. Larry's 1953 two-door sedan was split in two by a double-header diesel locomotive pulling passenger train No. 17. Carol was thrown out, but sustained a broken neck, and died instantly.

The Engineer, Gleason Powell, of Battle Creek told State Police Officer P. A. Martin that the truck and the car crossed the tracks close together heading west. He said he thought at first his engine would hit the truck. The crossing protected only by a stop sign, forms a sharp angle between the road and the tracks. The engineer said he could not tell whether or not either vehicle had come to a stop. (It was reported that there were cars setting on the side track, that obstructed the view, however they were moved almost immediately.) Sections of the car were found more than a quarter of a mile along the track from the scene of impact. The train was traveling from Port Huron to Chicago.

Her funeral was held Saturday, 18 April, in the Byron Methodist Church. The Reverend Hugh Townley, pastor of the Ames Methodist church, Saginaw, and the Reverend William Combellack of Vernon officiated. Burial was in Middlebury Cemetery.

Carol and Larry had been classmates for five years, and would have graduated together in June. They had announced their engagement in March. Larry witnessed the accident in his rear-view mirror and had a very difficult time for some time after.

Carol was a pretty girl with a ready smile, and a pleasing personality. She had a host of friends. In her memory the Byron Methodist church built a new Church Bulletin Board on the street side of the church with her name and the date on it with the Scripture: "Blessed are the pure in heart." from St. Matthew 5:8.

5) Allan Clyde Harris
b. 9 Mar. 1945 Owosso, Mich.
m. 31 July 1965 Cincinnati, Ohio
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist/Assembly of God
occupation: Millwright

m. Carol Jean Douglas
b. 4 July 1947 Cincinnati, Ohio
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Church of God/Assembly of God
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Claude E. & Elsie (Reynolds) Douglas

Allan Harris was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. He weighed 8 lbs. 5 oz. at birth and was delivered by Dr. Arnold, M. D. of Owosso.

When he was one year of age his parents moved to Wilmore, Kentucky, where his father began attending Asbury College. By the time Allan was ready for school his father had been assigned to the Methodist church in Fullerton, Kentucky where Allan attended school K-2. His father was next assigned as the pastor of the Trinity Methodist church in Manchester, Ohio, where Allan attended the third grade. Here his father graduated from Hamma Divinity School in Springfield, Ohio. After graduation they moved back to Michigan. His father was ordained in June 1954 and was assigned the Methodist church in Byron, Michigan. Here Allan attended school, (4-12.) He graduated from Byron High School on Thursday evening, June 6, 1963. He then attended Flint Junior College for two years where he studied to become a Millwright through General Motors.

In July 1965 he and Carol Douglas, of Cincinnati, Ohio, were united in marriage. They were married in the Cincinnati Church of God, by her pastor, the Reverend Danny Drake. Carol's sister Claudia Douglas was her maid of honor, the best man was William Martin. Cheryl Doxsey, age six, niece of the groom was the flower girl and Jeffery Harris, age seven, brother of the groom was the ring bearer. They were married just ten months after they were introduced.

Carol lived in Cincinnati all her life before her marriage. She graduated from Western Hills High School in 1963. Among others the School's 'Hall of Fame' claims Doris Day, of the Theater and T. V. fame and Pete Rose, of the Baseball world.

Allan is employed as a Millwright at Buick Motors Corporation, Flint, Michigan. And with his wife and family they live in Davison where they are very active members of the Bethel Assembly of God Church. He is in charge of the maintenance and care of the buses. He also has a Sunday route. He played the Cornet in school 5-11 grades and also plays in the church orchastra.

Carol is a 'singing evangelist' for the buses, taking a different bus each Sunday. She plays her accordion and sings for the children on the bus, as well as with them. She has a lovely voice and plays both the piano and organ, and is currently taking piano lessons. She is a wonderful mother, spending much time with her children, as well as working in school as a volunteer mother aide. In church she works as a Sunday School teacher and special children's worker.

Shortly after their marriage they bought a small house on the outskirts of Davison. Since then they have added a sizeable addition and a two car garage. It is a lovely and adequite home for them now as their children are growing. Allan is very mechanical and works well with his hands. He is very much like his father, a 'Mr. Fix-it." As neither of them are afraid to take things apart and find the trouble and put it back together again in good working order.

Allan and Carol are the parents of three children: Allan Clyde, II, Carol Annette, and Melissa Kay Harris.

6) Allan Clyde Harris II (Scooter) m.

b. 10 Oct. 1966 Flint, Michigan	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church: Assembly of God	occupation:
occupation: Student 5th grade 1976-77	dau. of:

Allan Harris (Scooter) was born in McLaren Hospital, Flint, Michigan. He weighed 7 lbs. 10 oz at birth and was 20 in. long.

He attended Uptegraph School; (K) and Gates Elementary (1-5). He played softball in Little League. He is quite musical and is taking piano lessons and this year in school has started playing the Trombone. He often sings with his sisters as a trio in various churches.

He was born on his grandpa Douglas'---as well as his great-grandfather Douglas' birthday. Obviously he was called Scooter because he wouldn't stay put.

6) Carol Annette Harris m.

b. 30 Mar. 1968 Flint, Mich.	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church:	occupation:
occupation: Student 3rd grade 1976-77	son of:

Annette Harris was born in McLaren Hospital, Flint, Michigan. She weighed 8 lbs. 7 oz and was 20½ in. at birth.

She attended Cartwright School for Kindergarten, which is an old country "Little Red School," where two Kindergarten classes are taught each day.

Annette is a good student, very affectionate, with a tender conscience, taking her religion very seriously. She loves church with all it's activities. She is also interested in baton twirling. She is taking piano lessons and often sings with her brother and sister as a trio in various churches.

She now attends Gates Elementary School where she is a third grader. She has attended there 1-3 grades.

6) Melissa Kay Harris
b. 28 Apr. 1971 Flint, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Assembly of God
occupation: Student (K 1976-77)

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Melissa was born in McLaren Hospital, Flint, Michigan. She weighed 8 lbs. 8 oz. at birth and was 20½ in. long.

She is attending Cartwright School, which is an old country "Little Red School," where two Kindergarten classes are taught each day.

She is the 'ham' in the family. She is a talented little soloist, with quite a large repertoire of Gospel Songs and Choruses for a child so young. She sings with her sister and brother but really prefers doing solos. She has been singing since she started to talk.

5) Debra Kay Harris
b. 16 Nov. 1952 Portsmouth, Ohio
m. 29 Mar. 1975 Lexington, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Student

m. Mehrdad Ahmadi
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Islam/United Methodist
occupation: Student
son of: Mohammad & Ahamadi ( )

Debra Harris was born in Portsmouth, Ohio. She weighed 8 lbs. 9 oz. and was delivered by Dr. Scaggs, M. D. of Portsmouth. She was born while her parents were ministering in Manchester, Ohio, and at the age of a year and a half moved with them to Byron, Michigan. She attended Public school in Byron from Kindergarten through the first semester of the ninth grade, then the next two and a half years at Grass Lake High, finishing her Senior year at Cros-Lex High near Lexington. She was a member of the National Honor Society in her Junior and Senior years.

Debbie always enjoyed music. She played the Flute in the school band from the fifth grade through her Freshman year in College. She also played accordion and piano. She tried out several musical instruments through the years and continues to enjoy playing piano and guitar at her own leisure and with friends. In her younger days she couldn't understand why her friends complained because they had to practice. She thought "practicing was fun."

Debbie attended Taylor University, in Upland, Indiana for two years, then transferred to Eastern Michigan University at Ypsilanti where she earned her B. S. Degree in Social Work in April of 1974.

She spent the next year and a half working as a secretary at the University of Michigan, Child Development Project, a innovative program in 'preventive' or 'infant mental health'.

On March 29, 1975 she married Mehrdad Ahmadi (Mo), a young University of Michigan engineering student from Tehran, Iran, who had recently embraced Christianity. Her father baptised him on Palm Sunday in the Lexington United Methodist Church. They were married by her father, the Reverend Kenneth L. Harris. He was assisted by her uncle, the Reverend Albert E. Hartoog. They were married for one year and then separated. Their divorce was final in November 1976.

In January 1976 she began work on her Masters Degree in Social Work at the University of Mivhigan, Ann Arbor. She plans to finish her degree in May 1977. Her immediate plans after graduation are to travel out West and enjoy some of the natural beauty of our country.

5) Jeffery Lee Harris

b. 15 June 1958 Owosso, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Student Sr. 1976-77

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Jeffery Harris was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. He weighed 6 lbs. and was delivered by Dr. J. H Graves, M. D. of Owosso. He was born while his parents were pastoring the Byron Methodist church. They moved to Grass Lake when he was eight years of age where he attended school (3-6). When he was eleven they moved to Lexington where he attends Cros-Lex High School and the Sanilac County Career Center where he is studyiny auto mechanics and body work. He will graduate in June 1977.

Jeff was handicapped during his first eight years of school by a visual perceptual disability diagnosed as dyslexia. Since neither side of his brain was dominant, he frequently saw in reverse, or started pronouncing words midway rather then in the beginning or ending syllables. Pupil movement was erratic and he could not easily follow a line across the page when reading. After many years of special tutoring, physical therapy, eye exercises and special glasses, results finally surfaced in the eighth grade and in a matter of six weeks he was reading well and able to function normally in the Class Room. And now in his Senior year his marks are above average.

He plays the Baritone in the school band and has been a faithful member of it since his fifth grade. This has meant many happy occasions since the Cros-Lex Band has a high rating and has made many interesting trips, including Virginia Beach, Va.; The J. L. Hudson parade; Sarnia, Canada etc.

As a youth delegate for the United Methodist Youth Fellowship he attended the United Nations Peace Seminar in Washington, D. C.,in January of 1976.

Jeff has a ready smile. He has a real love for his family, he has a host of friends, and people of all ages enjoy having him around. He is kind to animals and has taken unusually good care of his own pets. His school report says: "Jeff shows great promise," and "he adds to class discussions." He is ambitious and is booked heavy all summer doing lawns and other odd jobs for his customers in Lexington.

Vera (Furnish) & Vincent Harris
20th Wedding Anniversary

Vera & Albert Hartoog's Wedding Picture

AUTOBIOGRAPHY

4) Vera Viola Furnish
b. 16 May 1919 Shiawassee Co., Mich.
m. 10 July ~~July~~ 1937 Auburn, Indiana
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker/Nurse
Baptized: 24 Mar. 1940 Corunna, Mi.

m. Vincent Benjamin Harris
b. 13 Oct. 1915 Shiawassee Co., Mich.
d. 15 Oct. 1966 Pontiac, Michigan
cause: Viral Encepholitis
burial: White Chapel, Troy, Mich.
church: Methodist
occupation: Factory/Bricklayer & Stone Mason
son of: Benjamin Daniel & Bertha Mae (Abendschein) Harris

I, Vera Furnish, am the third daughter born to Clyde and Violia (Ostrander) Furnish. I was born at 12:15 P. M. on Friday, 16 May 1919 and weighed 8¼ lbs. Mother had send Dad for the nurse, (or midwife), Mrs. Nellie Flannagan, in the morning; which was a good idea as I am told I arrived just before Dr. Johnstone, M. D. did.

The farm was known as the Hosington farm and was located on the Lemon road near Garrison road. When I was one year of age my parents moved west about a mile onto the Wm. Wallace Moore farm on the Garrison road. This farm consisted of 160 acres, but the part I grew to love the most was the 16 room house. When I became old enough my father taught me how to cultivate, with horses of course, and also had the job of driving the horses on the hay wagon. I too drove the horses on the hay rope that pulled the slings or hay forks full of hay up into the mow.

I attended the Lemon School, (1-8); Corunna High School, (9-10); and Perry High (11-12) graduating from Perry High on Thursday evening, 10 July 1937 in the Roosevelt Auditorium. Part of both my Freshman and Sophomore years I worked for my room and board at Margaret and Doug Hills in Corunna. (We lived five miles from town and there was no one I could ride with living out our way, so I had to stay in town.) The last half of my 10th grade Dorothea and Margaret Bohunsky, both Juniors, and I lived in a light housekeeping apartment. Then that March my parents moved to Antrim Twp., so my Junior and Senior years I was able to live at home and ride back and forth daily.

Immediately after graduation I went to work for friends of my parents who were expecting their eighth child. Their oldest child was under ten, so that meant I had to do most of the cooking, dishes, washing, ironing and cleaning for a family of nine plus for myself, for $5.00 a week.

I had received my engagement ring in March from Vincent Harris. He was working in Detroit,and living in a boarding house, and came home on the week-ends. After a couple of weeks he convinced me that I was worth much more to him than $5.00 a week and I wouldn't have to work nearly as hard. So we set our date and made our plans. I left this job a week before the lady was scheduled for delivery, and have always felt a little guilty that I didn't stay a little longer, as she died during delivery that week.

Vin and I were married in Auburn, Indiana. Phyllis Lochner, my cousin from Auburn was my attendant and Paul Mulanix, a friend of Vin's was best man. After the ceremony we visited my Aunt Adella and Uncle Pete Lochner and then came back to Detroit where we set up housekeeping. We had been married by the Reverend G. LaVon Fisher, pastor of the Church of Christ. We were married in the parsonage.

Vincent Harris was born in Shiawassee Co., Antrim Twp., on the Braden road, east of Nohel road. He was delivered by Dr. Shaw, M. D. of Morrice for the sum of $7.00. He attended Gallagher School Fractional District No. 4 (Antrim & Conway Twps.)

He started high school in Fowlerville then changed and went to Morrice High, graduating in June of 1933. He played the guitar in the school band and earned his 'Orange & Black' letter "M" in football. He gave the "Welcome to Seniors," his Junior year at the Jr. and Sr. Banquet. Because of the 'depression' his class didn't have enough funds to pay an outside speaker for a graduation address so the class took it upon themselves and had class participation. Vin gave a talk on "The Farm Mortgage Plan."

After graduation he went to work for $.50 a week and his room and board, helping with the harvesting of crops as well as other farm work. Just before his 18th birthday, (he graduated at age 17) he went to work in Detroit at the Chevrolet Gear & Axle & Forge. He worked there for 13 years. He had worked his way up from assembly line to maintenance. He quit the factory and went to work as a bricklayer and worked in this capacity the rest of his life. In March of 1948 he went in business for himself. For a short while he had a partner; but then bought him out and worked for himself until June 1961.

He had hoped, with three sons, some day to establish a business: "Vincent B. Harris & Sons." But by now his sons had all decided that they wanted no part of it; so he decided to relieve himself from some of the responsibility and work for someone else for a change.

One of his first jobs fulfilled a dream. Six men were asked to go, from the Local, to New York and work on a skyscraper. This was one of the greatest working experiences he ever had. On his own he had done both residential and commercial also churches, but a skyscraper was something else!

At the time of his death he was foreman on the new Ramada Inn being built at 300 Enterprize Dr. (just off Oakwood, east of Southfield.) He was working for Jack Barron Construction Co., Pontiac, Michigan.

Vin and I had celebrated our 25th wedding anniversary with Open House and then left for a fishing trip to Chapleau, Canada. We took our youngest son, Dan, with us as well as friends, Lois and Irvin Kauffman and their son Bob. We had an enjoyable time. The fellows caught their limit of pike each day, and threw many back. Vin loved to fish and hunt. One of our favorite places to fish was at "Taylor & Hawks" camp between Lachine and Hillman. He taught his boys how to handle a gun and took them hunting with him for the first time or two.

All of our married life Vin had talked about going West. He especially wanted to visit Oregon. His great-uncle, Frank Harris, had lived there and each time he came back to visit whetted his appetite more and more to someday go out there. Finally we decided to plan for the first three weeks in September, 1966. We first bought a new Chevrolet Custom 3/4 ton truck with camper mounted, in April, and then spent the next few months studying road maps and planning our route etc.

Finally our day arrived and we left Troy and drove to Ludington where we boarded the Ferry and crossed Lake Michigan. We then took the Northern Route through Mt. Rushmore, Yellowstone and the Big Horns. We stopped in Pullman, Washington to visit friends. Here the men folk took Vin trout fishing on Medical Lake. He came back laughing and said he had never had so much fun in his life fishing. But--something had stung or bitten him on the wrist. It was reddened and a little swollen. We applied First Aid and in a few days it had healed. We visited friends in Sunnyside, Washington, and went on to Seattle. Here friends took us to the Space Needle, left from the World's Fair. It was here that I first noticed that Vin wasn't weathering the trip as well as I was. He seemed to tire easily. (He had never been seriously ill since we were married. And as a boy only when he had been bitten by a rattle snake.) He was rugged and so strong. He was 6 ft. 1 in. tall and weighed around 220 lbs. We thought perhaps it was the high altitude that was slowing him down.

We next stopped at Crater Lake and Sequoia National Park then started for home. After we left Bakersfield, California, he made the remark: "Well, I've seen all the

mountains, craters and canyons I want to see, I just want to go home now." He did, however, stop to see the Petrified Forest.

He started to complain of his legs cramping him. I drove more and he slept more and more. (Which I guess is tipical, somehow, husbands trust their wife's driving more after they leave the mountains!) We arrived home on Thursday afternoon on the 6th of Sept. (Incidentally we left earlier than we had planned to because we were advised in going so late we might have trouble getting through the Northern Passes.)

On Saturday he helped Irvin Kauffman stake out a basement for their new house, then got his hair cut, and spent the afternoon making coffee for our neighbors and friends, telling them all about our trip; around the picnic table. When asked how he liked the new camper he replied: "Great, just like two kids in a doll hours!" He gave everyone a big red delicious apple we had picked in the Yakima Valley, while visiting our friends, June and Debbie Hornaday in Sunnyside, Washington. He seemed to be feeling great!

He worked on Monday and Tuesday but both nights complained of being so tired and his legs seemed to bee so weak. His expression when he called me at work was, "I'm so tired I don't think a chair will hold me." On Wednesday he stayed home from work, his temperature was slightly elevated, I called the doctor and he had me pick up two perscriptions at the Drug Store. He thought, as Vin did, that he was coming down with the flu.

Against my wishes Vin insisted that I go to work that day. He said: "I'll be okay, I'll stay in bed and take my medecine." Our next door neighbor offered to check in on him every couple of hours and said she would call me if there was any change. So I went to work only to be called by our second son, Rod, saying he had come over to see his Dad and found him disoriented and had called the ambulance and was having him brought into Emergency. Needless to say I was shocked, but met them in Emergency. Dr. Sullivan had been called. He checked him over and still said he thought it was the flu but would admit him for the night. He nor Vin could see no need for me spending the night, so I left a little after midnight only to be called by Dr. Sullivan early in the morning asking me to come in.

When I arrived I found him extremely diaphoretic, his pulse was so rapid I could not count it accurately; he was disoriented at times. The doctor said he couldn't understand why none of the medicine he had given him had taken hold? He had him moved to a medical floor where his regression was rapid. I was privileged to be allowed to stay --- and suddenly I remembered the bite on the wrist! (Which later proved to be the villain.) I discussed this with the doctor and further medication was given. But about midnight he laid over in my arms and died. I was told that the spinal fluid had checked out; with a positive 'viral encephalitis.' I was also told; had if been bacterial encephalitis instead of viral the medication would have worked.

His funeral was on Monday, 17 October 1966, at 1:30 P. M. from the Big Beaver Methodist Church where we both were members. The Reverend Paul F. Blomquist, pastor and the Reverend Albert E. Hartoog, our former pastor of six years, officiated. Burial was in White Chapel Memorial Cemetery, Troy, in the "Garden of the Resurredtion" section.

Vin was a member of Local 29, Bricklayers, Masons, Plasters Union, Pontiac. He was a member of the Official Board of the Big Beaver Methodist Church where he had also taught the Adult Sunday School Class.

To this union three sons were born: David Dale, Rodney Gene and Daniel Merle Harris. Vin also had two brothers: Merle Wayne, older than he, and Frank Eugene Harris, younger than he. He had six grandchildren, and loved each of them dearly. He was extremely happy when David and Ronnie named their baby boy after him.

I had never thought of becoming a widow. Vin had often said jokingly: "I come from a line of 'long livers' and I expect to live to be at least 90 myself." (He did have several ancestors who had)! But he died two days after his 51st Birthday.

It now seemed providential that I had been urged by some nurse friends, as well as by Vin, to take L. P. N. training. I had graduated from McAuley School of Practical Nursing at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac, in March of 1961 and had been hired full time by the hospital afterwards. I continued to work which seemed good for me. Yet strangely enough the most difficult patient I think I ever cared for was my first patient - my first day back to work after Vin's funeral.

In report our little Nun, Sister Mary Anastasia, had informed me that I would be in Intensive Care alone until 5 o'clock when the R. N. would arrive. She stated that there was no one in there at the moment but shortly I would be getting two patients from surgery with tracheotomy's. They soon arrived and after connecting all the tubes and the respirators and checking the vital signs I checked the face sheet to see what the diagnosis on my first patient was? I was shocked to see the words "Viral Encephalitis". Needless to say it was a little rough as I couldn't help but relive the last day of Vin's life, however, they did not do a tracheotomy on him. And for some unknown reason we ended up with five cases in St. Josephs. All died but my first patient.

I continued to work and kept involved in the church and with family and friends. Vin and I had had such a good marriage, we were sweethearts all our married life together, and I even found his love sustaining me after death. I couldn't imaging myself dating another man, even though my pastor and my father thought I should. They thought I was too young to live alone and had too much to offer. One morning after a counseling session with my pastor I came home and knelt by my bedside and told the Lord what kind of a man I thought I could be happy with and then asked Him: "if You know of any such man that I could be happy with, You will have to get us together, because I am not going man hunting!" And that was the end of it as far as I was concerned. Some time later one morning the phone rang and I heard a familiar voice say: "This is Al Hartoog, and I'm wondering what you are doing on your next day off?" My quick reply was"I am working on election." He said, "Oh, that is just a local election, you won't be late; I was going to take you out to dinner, but in that case I'll take you for a sandwich, I need to talk with someone."

Al had lost his wife Jeanette, 1 February 1969. She was ill for six years, however she had had some long remissions, with cancer.

I knew he was someone Vin would approve of; as he thought the world of him. He often came home from a board meeting with remarks like: "That Al Hartoog, he's sure my kind of guy;" or"He is the salt of the earth kind of guy" or "he's a diamond in the rough." And likewise I have heard Al say: "Boy if I had more men like Vin Harris on the board!" In fact Vin knew him much better than I did. I saw him on Sunday morning at Worship, and as he walked through his office into the chancel for the second morning service as I taught a Sunday School Class in his office. Besides I worked afternoons full time so I was not in on any night activities at the church.

Our relationship grew stronger and on the 25th of February 1970 Al asked me to marry him. After I accepted his proposal I learned that he had asked my eldest son, David, for permission to ask me to marry him; which I guess Dave was pleased that he asked him, and happy to give his consent. Besides Al was everything I had asked the Lord for in my early prayer except for one small detail. He was not 6ft. tall! He was 5ft. 9½ in. Which was a very small thing. The Lord had been very good to me.

Kiddingly Al tells people that the only reason he asked me to marry him was because my sister, Marion, is married to a United Methodist minister and he figured I would know what I was getting in too!"

It was true, I did know a little about life in the parsonage; but visiting the parsonage is quite different from living in it! I had accepted Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour at age 20 and shortly after that both Vin and I had dedicated our lives to Him, so we both had been a vital part of the church most of our married lives. And had enjoyed good fellowship with our pastor and his family each time.

There are many draw backs to living in the parsonage but the blessings far out weigh the draw backs. The rewards cannot be measured in dollars and cents.

I have taught Sunday School since 1947; my first class being a class of twelve year old girls. For several years I taught High School; grades 9-12. Many of these young people have been a real blessing to me. Several are ministers today. Some are teachers, I believe at least two are doctors, some are nurses etc. etc. Their notes at Christmas time are so appreciated. For the last five years I have taught the married class with ages ranging aproximately 40-60. This is an interesting class too, but their vocations were established long ago; so their interests are much different.

4) Vera V. Furnish Harris

(See information with first marriage.)

m. Albert Edwin Hartoog
b. 30 Aug. 1913 Kalamazoo, Mich.
m. 12 Sept. 1970 Troy, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Minister
son of: Abraham Adriaan & Femma (Fannie) Aleida(Brunsting)Hartoog

Al and I were married in the Big Beaver Methodist Church with the Reverend Paul F. Blomquist, now my former pastor, and the Reverend Michael Grajcar, my pastor, officiating at our wedding ceremony. There were 297 guests that signed our guest book at the reception that followed in the undercroft of the church. We took a honeymoon trip to the Upper Peninsula where as a wedding gift we were given the use of a lovely cottage at Cederville, right on Lake Huron, for two weeks. This friend had also made our wedding cake, which was a white fruit cake, it was most delicious.

Al was born in Kalamazoo, Michigan. He is of Holland descent. He lived in Detroit most of his growing up years. He has his B. A. Degree from Wayne State University, and his B. D. from Garrett Theological Seminary; and his M. A. from Northwestern University, both located in Evanston, Illionis. He was ordained as a minister of the Methodist Church in June 1946 by Bishop Raymond Wade. He has always been assigned to churches in the metropolitan Detroit area until he was assigned to his present charge at Elkton two years ago last June.

Al and his first wife Claudia Jeanette Abel were the parents of two children: Mark Richard and Judith Rae Hartoog. Mark has his Ph D in Astronomy and has a position with the University of California, connected with Lick Observatory. Judy is married to Andrew J. Alexander, they live in Flint. Judy has her Masters Degree in Social Work Research and is employed by the City of Flint. Andy is in the restaurant management business.

5) David Dale Harris
b. 23 Aug. 1939 Owosso, Mich.
m. 7 Sept. 1957 Troy, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist/Nazarene
occupation: Heavy Equipment Operator

m. Carol Lee Naeyaert (Sue)
b. 2 Feb. 1940 Detroit, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic/Presbyterian
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Charles (Bud)& Dorothy (Miller) Naeyaert

David Harris was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan, 23 August 1939, at 2:10 A. M.; Wednesday; weighed 8 lbs 3 oz. and was 20 in. long. He was delivered by Dr. William F. Weinkauf, M. D. of Corunna. (Hospital Ward $3.50 per day then.)

David Dale was the name my father had picked out for my youngest sister, Genevieve, had she been a boy. We liked the name and thought we would please my Dad by using the name he had picked for a son. Of course he was hoping for another David Furnish but was happy to settle for a David Harris instead. I will always remember the afternoon Dad came to the hospital to see me and I told him what we had named the baby and how he became all choked up with emotion; he was so pleased.

He was a very special grandson not only to my parents but to Vin's parents as well as he was born on their 28th wedding anniversary and was their first grandchild. (My parents had a granddaughter and a grandson older than David.)

The reason David was born in Owosso was because Chevrolet had shut the plant down for inventory and we were living in furnished rooms at the time and had decided to rent a flat after our baby was born and start buying our own furniture. So we went to the country, for the lay-off period, and stayed with my sister and brother-in-law, Marion and Kenneth Harris who were farmers at the time, until Vin was called back to work. My stay was much longer than we had anticipated as David arrived a month later than was expected. Vin was called back to work and stayed with friends and found us a flat to live in.

My labor was long and exhausting but so gradual that I did not realize my condition until my doctor came in to check on me. After a short examination he hurried to the Nurse's Station, which was near by, and I heard him reprimanding the nurse in charge for neglecting me, and ordered me into the delivery room immediately and then made the statement: "She is so far gone now I don't know if I can save her or the baby!" That bit of news, which I am sure I was not supposed to hear, was shocking to me and even more so since I had made no preparation for death! In a few minutes I prayed the 'sinners prayer' and promised the Lord I would live for Him and dedicate my baby to Him if He would spare our lives. I was sincere and really meant what I had prayed and the Lord blessed us both as the next thing I remember is the doctor saying to me, "Vera, you have a fine healthy baby boy." And aside from an instrument mark on his forehead he was a beautiful child with long black hair.

When David was two weeks old I kept my vow and when the invitation was given that Communion Sunday morning I went with the other communants and knelt at the altar for prayer with the others who were there to receive Holy Communion. I have often said I knew what John Bunyan meant in his "Pilgrims Progress" when he said "the pack fell off his back." That was exactly my reaction. At that moment by life was changed, and not of my own doing, it was the grace of God alone, I was only the vessel. I have counted it a privilege and a joy to live these thirty-seven years a life in service to Him.

The following week-end we moved back to Detroit and moved into the upper flat in a two family dwelling at 19983 Yacama. The people below were Scottish and were friendly. Their daughter, Betty, was David's first babysitter. It was while living here that David became an early 'streaker'. I had left him in the bathroom 'occupied' for a moment while I ran the garbage down the back stairs to the alley one afternoon. As I

was hurrying back up the stairs I could hear laughter out in front, and wondered what was so funny? Well, to my amazement David was no where to be found upstairs. So I hurried down the front stairs only to find him dancing around naked on the front lawn. He was only two years old at the time. He must have taken off down the front stairs at the same time I went down the back!

Another time I had just baked and iced a chocolate cake and left it on the cupboard while I ran the garbage down again. He was busy playing in the living room. When I got back I discovered he had dragged a chair over to the cupboard and had eaten a couple of fists full of cake. He looked up at me and said "cake Mama". I didn't scold him as I was reminded of a similar incident told about me when I was small. My mother had baked pies for thrashers she was having for dinner and had gone outside to get an armful of wood for the cook stove. When she came in I was no place to be seen. Then she spotted me under the dining room table, the corner of the tablecloth hanging down had partly hid me. I had carried a blackberry pie under the table and had eaten the center out of it. I had pie all over my face and hands as well as my clean dress. Mother had just cleaned me up for when the men came in for dinner! I looked up at her and said: "pie Mama pie." So how could I scold David?

When he was a toddler he would sit on the floor and bump his head on the floor between his legs. My mother was afraid he would injure himself so one day when she was caring for him, and he did that, she bumped his head just a little harder than he was doing it. It hurt, but he never did it again, literally that is!

When he was two and a half years old we moved to the Township of Troy; now the City of Troy. We had bought a six room and bath two story house unfinished. Vin and I both felt the country was the best place to rear children, since we were both 'farm kids.' We weren't there too many years before we began to wonder. David loved animals and brought everything that was loose home with him and couldn't seem to understand that they weren't his to keep just because they were friendly and followed him home.

And then there was the unforgetable night when Vin's brother was home on leave from the Navy and was visiting us. We had an invitation to a wedding and a reception in Highland Park and wanted to attend. Frank told us to go ahead that he would be glad to stay with the three boys. It was a 6 o'clock wedding. We only stayed a short while at the reception and Vin became uneasy and wanted to go home. When we arrived home so early Frank was surprised. He said everything was fine, the boys were all to bed and asleep. Well for some reason I went upstairs to check on the boys, and found Rod and Dan fast asleep, but David had not even been in his bed, the window was open and the screen had been taken out. I looked all through the upstairs and then came down and told Frank and Vin that Dave had not gone to bed, but out the window! Frank couldn't believe me and had to go and look for himself.

I went to the phone and called my neighbor, Polly, and asked her if Gaylord was at home? "She said, "yes, he is in bed." I said: "will you check"and told her my story. She checked and told me Gaylord was in bed, but he had heard David and Johnny talking about going over to Big Beaver Airport and taking a plane out and flying to New York!" I called Johnny's mother, Hazel, and asked her the same questions. She found Johnny wasn't in bed either, and his window was also open and the screen out. She said: "I will be right down." She came in out of breath, and dropped down in a chair in the dinette and said: "I'll just sit here and wait for the crash!"

In the meantime Vin and Gaylord's father went scouting; first to the Big Beaver Airport and then to Berz Airport near Birmingham. They had returned and we were all standing on the front porch pondering what we should do next when I heard a door in the kitchen squeak. I said: "just a minute, I heard something." I found David on the stairs shaking as he had the palsy. He told me that he and Johnny had gone to the airport and had unfastened a plane and were about to climb into it when somebody shot at them. So they had ran all the way home. I would like you to know Johnny was 12

and David was 9 years old. David said he didn't know how to pilot a plane but Johnny did and he was going to teach him! I could not believe what I was hearing!

I have told my children that someday I am going to write a book and call it "My Three Sons." But now I think I will stop with this!

In Detroit we began attending Thoburn Methodist church which then was at the corner of Cameron and Lantz, it is now located on State Fair Avenue. In March of 1940, however David and I were Baptized in the Corunna Methodist church where I had kept my vow I had made in the hospital. The Reverend William Schlitts, pastor, officiated. That same year both Vin and I joined Thoburn church and David was enrolled in the Nursery Dept. of the Sunday School. The Reverend James H. James was our first minister; John Grenfell, Sr., S. S. Supt.; and Mable Stevenson, Nursery Dept., Supt. David enjoyed S. S. and Jr. Church and especially enjoyed hearing missionaries speak. He loved to look at their display of souvenirs and artifacts.

He started Kindergarten in the Big Beaver Methodist church as the schools were fast becoming crowded and they were using the church at the time. About three years later the church burned just one hour after the 45 kindergarteners had been dismissed. He then attended Big Beaver Elementary, which was built in 1919, and the old high school which was now attached to the elementary and so now the children stayed in here through the 8th grade. David attended one year at Temple Academy then quit Troy High School before he had completed the 10th grade.

He had his first car when he was 16. It was an early 1940 Ford convertable with skirts on the fenders etc. He started working for his father as a laborer and became a good cement finisher, but he disliked the work very much. He finally found his nitch in working with heavy equipment.

Vin taught the boys how to handle and use a gun correctly and took them hunting. Deer hunting season 1955 we took him with us to the Upper Peninsula near Munising. One day we were hunting in an old logging camp and came upon a little shed. Fresh hay had been put there and there were fresh horse tracks too!!! Later we were talking with some local hunters who told us the horses were left over from the time when they used them in the camps, but now they were wild, and no one could catch them, but someome kept feed for them in the shed. Well, David hunted more for horses than he did for deer. I'm not sure what he had in mind, but I think he dreamed of bringing a horse home with him; even though we did not own enough property to keep one, and were zoned against such.

David liked to fish and we took him with us until he felt he was too old to go with us anymore. Our favorite place was called "Taylor & Hawks Camp", near Laceine and Hillman in Alpena County. We had at least three happy family vacations there and had good luck fishing as well.

When David was nine years of age we had given him a purebred Irish Setter puppy. She was six months old at the time. He named her "Penny". She was a beautiful dog, and truly a boy's best friend. She met David after school and was there when he left. She lived to be ten years old and even then seem to wait for David to come home before she could die. When he came home that night he petted her and talked to her and after a few minutes she laid her head over and was gone. The next day the three boys took her out under the apple trees and wrapped her in a pink satin quilted bedspread and carefully burried her in a straw lined grave, then poured a cement marker with the word "Penny" scratched on top. The whole family loved her. Her first litter was 13.

David has most of his life been a noncomformist and is always looking for "the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow," He even took up scuba diving and got maps that showed him where ships have sunk in the Great Lakes and was going to strike it rich by finding hidden treasures. But one time while diving under the "Big Mac"(Mackinaw Bridge) he ran out of air. He was fortunate to be able to surface and to come up by one of the piers and was rescued. That experience ended his scuba diving and their trophies for the day was a few tools etc. that had been dropped when the bridge was

being built.

David has a good personality; a laugh that is contageous; well liked and is fun to be with. He seemes to enjoy nothing more than having coffee with the fellows at the local coffee shops.

When we first moved to Troy there was a place called "Salt Water Pool." It was located on Rochester road at 18-mile road. We took the children there often when they were smaller as well as to the lake to swim. Their father was a good swimmer and liked to play with the children in the water. I am the coward and hike for dry land when the 'horse play' begins.

It was at Salt Water Pool that David met 'Sue' Naeyaert when they were both 16. Sue was a 10th grader at Dondero High in Royal Oak and David a 10th grader at Troy High. When he started bringing her home for dinner we knew it was serious.

They were married in the Big Beaver Methodist Church at 3 p. m. by David's uncle, the Reverend Kenneth L. Harris and the Reverend Reginald Hocking, pastor of the church, who assisted. Lillian Wilson, friend of the bride and Gaylord Harrison friend of the groom were their attendants. David's friend, John Garvock, and his brother, Rodney Harris, seated the guests. A reception followed in the undercroft of the church.

To this union one daughter, Vicki Sue Harris was born. The marriage ended in divorce and after her mother remarried Vicki was adopted by her step-father, Gerald Hart.

6) Vicki Sue (Harris) Hart
b. 12 Apr. 1958 Hazel Park, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Clerk

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Vicki Harris was born in the Helene Meinke Hospital in Hazel Park, Michigan. She was delivered by Dr. Charles Pelletier, M. D.

She attended school in the Warren School system graduating in June 1976. She took commercial courses through high school and wants to be a secretary, however, she is working in sales at the J. L. Hudson store at Eastland. She worked here as a Co-op.

Vicki has 3 Hart brothers: Ronald, Gerald and Robert.

5) David Dale Harris

(See information with first marriage.)

m. Kristyne S. Engisch
b. 9 Jan. 1941 Berkley, Michigan
m. 25 Apr. 1959 Berkley, Michigan
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Berkley Community
occupation: Store Cashier/Watress
Homemaker
dau. of Fred & Engisch ( )

David met Kris when she worked at a local small Troy restaurant. They were married by the Reverend Orin Van Loon, pastor of the Berkley Community Church. Kris had lived in Berkley all of her life going to the local schools there and graduated June 1959. She is artistic and does lovely paintings.

To this union one daughter, Kimberli Mae Harris, was born. This marriage ended in divorce also, and after Kris remarried, Mervin Timon, her new husband adopted Kimberli.

6) Kimberli Mae (Harris) Timon
b. 23 Feb. 1960 Detroit, Michigan
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Student grade 10 (1976-77)

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Kimberli Harris was born in New Grace Hospital. She weighed 8 lbs. 9½ oz. She now has two brothers and lives in Troy. She is a Sophomore at Athens High School.

5) David Dale Harris

(See information with first marriage.)

m. Veronica Frasier (Ronnie)
b.
m. 1 Jan. 1964 Owosso, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Waitress
dau. of: Robert & Bell ( )Frasier

David and Ronnie were married in Owosso, Michigan on New Years Day 1964. At the time David was living with his Grandpa Furnish on the farm. His Aunt Genevieve and Uncle Abe Eldridge witnessed their vows. They were married by a local Judge.

This marriage also ended in divorce. David was given custody of Vincent their son.

6) Vincent Dale Harris
b. 21 Nov. 1965 Royal Oak, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Student grade 6 (1976-77)

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Vincent Dale Harris was born in Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak, Michigan. He weighed 8 lbs. and was born at 10 P. M./

In September of that year when less than a year old his parents separated and his father was given custody of him. He lived in several foster homes and had many baby sitters then eventually David bought a small home in Troy and the two of them lived together. This did not work out and he went to live with his mother. But after six weeks, Ronnie called David's brother and his wife, Rod and Barb Harris, and asked them to come and get him. She said "he is miserable and is making everyone here miserable because he wants to live with you folks and nobody else." They went after him and were given Legal Custody.

Vincent is a handsone boy, very blond, with large blue eyes. He loves animals and enjoys putting models together.

The first time I saw Vincent after he came to live with Rod and Barb,and their already large family, I asked him if he was happy now? And he said: "I sure am Grandma, and I hope Inever have to live any place else again." Then he said: "And do you know what else Grandma?" I said: "no, what?" He said: "I don't have to call Aunt Barb - Aunt Barb anymore; because she is my Mom now." "And I have two Dads!"

In my book Barbara is a very special daughter-in-law. Really she is more like a daughter. She already has seven children of her own. And has two boys near Vincent's age. One a little older the other a little younger and so naturally there is sibling rivalry. And Vincent is not without emotional problems having had so many 'mothers' in his young life. So the adjustments are many for both. But the family is all trying to help Vincent; although at this age he thinks work is punishment.

This reminds me of my own parents. After my grandmother Ostrander was killed in a car accident in1921; my parents took my mother's youngest sister and raised her. And then many years later they took a second cousin, whose mother had died and put her through high school. It seemes the ones with the biggest families always have room for one more. I hope someday Vincent is as appreciative as my Aunt Ruth and my cousin Frances were.

Vincent attended Kindergarten at Andersonville, near Pontiac; Morris, (1-2); Johnson - Nyles, (3-5); and is in the 6th grade at Bowlan; all in Troy.

November 4, 1967--Vera Harris, Karon (Hollingsworth), Daniel and David Harris

5) Rodney Gene Harris, Sr.
b. 19 Apr. 1941 Owosso, Mich.
m. 10 June 1960 Troy, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Machine Repair Machinest & Bricklayer

m. Barbara Ann Bemis
b. 1 Sept. 1941 Pontiac, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker +
dau. of: Walter Reid & Mary Rowena (Rohr) Bemis

Rodney Harris, Sr. was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. He was delivered by Dr. William F. Weinkauf, M. D.; born at 8:43 P. M.; weighed 7 lbs. 12 oz. and was 21 in. long.

He was born in Owosso mostly because at this point I didn't want to change doctors as he was just 19 months younger than his brother David. Delivery was much easier this time as he was born about 20 minutes after I was admitted to the hospital. A few days after he was born, however, he became jaundiced. This did not clear up until after we were back home in Detroit and Nettie Gillespie, the Scottish lady who lived in the flat below us, gave him an herb tea. He cleared up almost immediately.

When he was nine months old we moved to Troy Township, now the City of Troy, to an unfinished six room house. That winter Rodney developed pneumonia and the doctor wanted to admit him to the hospital. I asked if I might not take care of him at home. He agreed to let me take care of him overnight and said he would be out to check on him in the morning.

I made a tent with a sheet over his crib and funneled steam under it. We gave him his medication along with clear liquids in his bottle. I stayed up the whole night and worked and prayed and when the doctor arrived the next morning Rodney was sitting up in his bed playing. He had a bottle of weakened grape juice and the first thing Dr. Manning said when he saw him was "what is in that bottle?" I explained and reminded him that Rodney was allergic to orange juice and he seemed relieved. He made good progress and did not need to go to the hospital. But when he was ten years of age we weren't as fortunate. I left him home too long, because he didn't complain and kept saying he felt better. He didn't have a high elevation of temperature either. We admitted him to the Helene Meinke Hospital in Hazel Park, 15 April 1951, where he remained for eight days. This time the pneumonia was more stubborn and even the penicillin didn't bring the desired results so chloromycetin was given. It cleared it up rapidly; without any side effects for which we are most grateful.

Rodney always seemed to be a happy child, with a ready smile and even temperment. He was cuddly as a baby and has always been affectionate. As a boy he was eager to give a helping hand. If I happened to be working outside when he came home from school raking leaves or what ever he would pick up the tools and help; and seemed to enjoy it. He liked to see the yard clean and neat. If I needed a helping hand in the house he would gladly help.

When Rod was born we were members of Thoburn Methodist Church in Detroit. He was Baptized on 25 April 1943 by the Reverend James H. James, pastor. He had been enrolled in the Nursery Department of the Sunday School on 4 January 1942. John Grenfell, Sr. (now the Reverend John Grenfell) was S. S. Supt., Mabel Stevenson was Supt.of the Nursery Dept. Both families became long lasting friends of ours.

In 1948 we decided to change churches and started attending the Ferndale Church of the Nazarene; the Reverend Kenneth A. Hutchinson was the pastor. We had friends that attended there so it was easy for our children to adjust. It was during special meetings at Ferndale that Rod accepted Christ as his personal Saviour on 11 September 1949. He was eight years old. The evangelist was the Reverend Edward R. Ferguson. Rod re-

remained active in church and S. S. all through high school and college then after he was married he and Barbara served as youth counselors for about three years.

Rod attended school at Big Beaver Elementary. Mrs. Musselman was his kindergarten teacher. The children at that time rode the Martin Lines public bus. Rod went to school with the older children, but he was the only one who got off the bus at noon so I met him the first day and the second. But when he saw me standing there and the bus door opened up he looked up at me with his big brown eyes and said: "you don't have to come and meet me I can do it myself!" He attended Baker Jr. High; and Troy High School graduating in June 1959. That fall he was enrolled at Adrian College where he attended for one and one half years.

He always liked school and yet grew weary of it each May and by August he was eager for it to start.

Rod took an active part in school and earned his school letter "T" in basketball, football and track from high school and his "A" from college in track as a high jumper on the varsity team. He also served on the Student Council; Home Coming Committee; Prom Committee, Varsity Club and Courtesy Patrol.

He sang in the school choir from the 5th grade on always had a solo part. Miss Ruth Bamford, music teacher was great help to him. When the Senior Choir was evaluated at Wayne State University they were each graded on five qualities. He received a high rating of "2" as an over-all average; and a note that read: "you have a lovely natural voice; don't let anyone spoil it!" The song he sang was "From Where You Are." For the graduation exercises he sang several solo parts with the choir as well as a a solo and a duet with Irene Marcella. In college he sang in the choir and in a quartette.

Rod and Barbara had their first date when he asked her if he could take her home from a school dance their Junior year in high school. This led to a three courtship. Barbara is 5 ft. 2 in. in height and Rod is 6 ft. 4 3/4 in. They were married in the Big Beaver Methodist church on 10 June 1960. The Reverend Ralph Janka, pastor of First Methodist and the Reverend Reginald Hocking, pastor of Big Beaver Methodist, both in Troy, officiated. Their attendants included Barbara's sister and brother-in-law, Melva and William Artman, as matron of honor and best man. David Harris, brother of the groom served as one of the ushers. A reception was held in the undercroft of the church.

Barbara was born in Pontiac, Michigan and has lived in the same area all of her life. She attended Poppleton School, (K-6); Baker Jr. High, (7-8) and Troy High School, (9-12). She sang in both Glee Club and Choir in high school. She is a gal who wears many 'hats'. She has been a room mother many times; Den Mother, 2 yrs. When Troy organized a volunteer Probate Court for first offenders she was asked to help with the formation of it. She has been with it since its inception and was named first Director of Probate; a post she held for four years. At that time she asked to be relieved of her duties and was made Assistant Director(1976). She and Rod have both held various offices in PTSA and this year Barb was elected as Assistant District Director of MCPTS No. 7. She works as a Precinct Chairman on City elections. And as a hobby does custom cake baking and decorating. Her clever designs are much in demand.

One of the reasons Barbara is able to do so much outside the home is the fact that her parents property meets theirs at the creek that flows at the back of their property. The children have a well worn path to grandma and grandpa's house. As well as often they come to baby sit at the house. They seem to thrive on it; the children love them dearly but I in no way can compete with them as a grandparent.

Another project that involves the whole family is Poppleton School. It is the only one-room brick school house left in Troy. It was 100 years old this year and Barbara served as chairperson in October for a combined effort to celebrate the birthday of the school along with the school's 31st Annual School Fair.

These projects help in raising funds for the Troy Historical Society to save the school. Barbara and her family have a natural interest since Barbara attended school at Poppleton as have six of her seven children and her father was custodian there for 30 years. He is now 78 but has continued to work relief since his retirement so now works in all the schools in the system. Of late he has worked more hours than the full time custodians have.

Rod just completed his 15th year at Pontiac Motors, Pontiac, Michigan. He hired in on 25 November 1961. He has taken many courses since then to further his education. From General Motors Institute he has taken courses in: Industrial Writing, Industrial Economics, Psycology, Speed Reading, Production Material, Processing, Shop Mathematics and Blue Print Reading. At Oakland Community College he took: Welding, Metallurgy, Machinist Handbook and Fluid Dynamics. He took all these courses from 1962 to 1964. His classifaction is Machine Repair Machinist.

He ran for School Board in 1969 for a four year term and was defeated by a narrow margin. He belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Troy 599.

When his father, Vincent Harris, died he did not have their house completely bricked. Some time later Rod picked up his Dad's tools and finished the job. He did a beautiful job and since then his work has been in constant demand. He only is able to work at it on a part time basis, however, and does mostly fireplaces.

Barbara and Rod are both family people. They hold strong ties to parents as well as grandparents, sisters and brothers. They have many get-togethers with them. Barb was born 16 years after the rest of the family (3 brothers and 1 sister) so felt much like an only child. She loves children and warned us before they were married that she wanted seven! We didn't believe her but they are the parents of seven youngsters and have taken in an eighth for good measure. On 31 May 1975 they took Vincent Dale Harris, Rod's nephew, into their home to rear. They were given Legal Guardianship of him and are working hard with him. He has many problems from lack of a normal home life but is improving.

I would like to record a couple of humorous things that happened in Rod's past: One occured one Sunday afternoon when he and his brother, David, were out playing with the neighbor children and Vin and I decided to take a nap when Danny took his. We were awakened by an airplane flying very low over the house which was quite annoying. Later that evening we found out that Rod and Dave were both in that plane along with a couple of other neighbor children. The four of them had pooled their money than scavangered pop bottles enough to make up the difference for the two dollars they each needed for a ride. We would have been more than annoyed had we known who was in that plane!

Another time Vin and I had left the supper table hurridly, to go and vote I think, and had asked the boys to clean up the table while we were gone. The next day I noticed brown spots on the dinette walls, and looking around discovered they were on the white ceiling as well as the wall. I pondered for a while then suddenly knew what had happened! They had picked up our tea bags and had twirled them! And to this day not one of the three will admit doing it. They just laugh and say "you don't know do you Mother?" So I have charged them "all guilty."

When Rod was nine years old we were vacationing at Taylor Hawks Camp near Aplena and had left Rod on shore to watch Danny while we went fishing. When we came in after a short time Rod met us with a large pike. He had seen it by the dock and had dropped his bare hook and line down very carefully behind it's gill and had snagged it. Mr. Hawks was there to verify his story. He had done better on shore than we had out in a boat. He still enjoys fishing and has the patience it takes. He also enjoys moose hunting and goes up into Canada almost every season. He shot his first moose in 1974.

Their seven children are: Rodney Gene, Jr., Elizabeth Ann, Timothy Michael, Peter Jon, Christopher Paul, Thomas Matthew and Joy Marie Harris.

6) Rodney Gene Harris, Jr. m.

b. 26 Nov. 1961 Pontiac, Mich.	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church: United Methodist	occupation:
occupation: Student grade 10 (1976-77)	dau. of:

Rodney Harris, Jr. was born in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac, Michigan. He was delivered by Dr. Kenneth Stolpman, M. D. of Birmingham. He weighed 8 lbs. 13 oz. He was born at 5:45 P. M. and was 19 in. long.

He has lived in Troy all his life and attended Poppleton, (K-6); Baker Jr. High, (7); Boulan, (8) and is a 10th grader at Troy High School. He has played Cornet (5-10); he is in the Marching Band. He likes Biology; he has many tropical fish, and enjoys art. His parents have two of his paintings on their living room wall. He also likes trying his hand at landscaping, and last summer made raised flower beds around the house they were beautiful. He is versatile and is a good helping hand where ever he is needed. He can cook and makes delicious Pizzas from scratch he can also decorate a cake fairly well.

He has gone moose hunting with his parents and enjoys the beauties of Mother Nature. When he came back he did a good painting of a moose in the snow in a clearing in the Canadian woods. His mother had it framed and it hangs in their home.

6) Elizabeth Ann Harris (Liz) m.

b. 15 Mar. 1963 Pontiac, Mich.	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church: United Methodist	occupation:
occupation: Student grade 8 (1976-77)	son of:

Elizabeth Harris was born in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac, Michigan. She weighed 7 lbs. 9 oz. at birth and was delivered by Dr. A. Kenneth Stolpman, M. D. of Birmingham. She was born at 12:27 P. M.

Elizabeth was a very early talker. When she was a baby they lived in a small house with a shower instead of a tub. So she and her brother Rodney enjoyed coming to our house and taking a bath. When she was 18 months old we decided to tear out the old fixtures in our bathroom and put in new ones. She came with her folks one morning and when she went into the bathroom and noticed everything was gone, she burst into tears. Her Grandpa went to see what was wrong, and she pointed her finger at him and said: "shame! shame! shame! you tore it all apart!" The only way he could console her was to show her the new fixtures and tell her he was going to make it all pretty again. She has always had an assortment of animals. She has a black long haired cat she calls Tiger that has had 15 litters of kittens. She also has an European White which has

blue eyes. She also has a German Shepherd dog named "Princess" and two ponies; "Paco" a Shetland/Arabian and "Cing" a Brown Welch. Of course she cons her brothers into helping her feed and care for them. She attended school at: Poppleton, (K-5) and has been at Boulan now for 6-8.

6) Timothy Michael Harris m.
b. 12 Mar. 1965 Pontiac, Mich. b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: United Methodist occupation:
occupation: Student grade 6 (1976-77) dau. of:

Timothy Harris was born in St. Joseph Merch Hospital, Pontiac, Michigan. He was delivered by Dr. A. Kenneth Stolpman, M. D. of Birmingham. He weighed 8 lbs. 8 oz. at birth and was born at 10:56 A. M. and was 20 in. long.

As a toddler he love to rock, and would take his bottle and go and sit in his rocking chair and rock himself to sleep. He played in Little League for 5 yrs. and went out for football in the 4th grade. He is very mechanical. He loves nothing more than to be teasing someone. This summer he painted the trim on their home and did a nice job. He has attended school at: Poppleton, (K-5) and is in the 6th at Boulan.

6) Peter Jon Harris m.
b. 24 June 1966 Pontiac, Mich. b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: United Methodist occupation:
occupation: Student grade 5 (1976-77) dau. of:

Peter Harris was born in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac, Michigan. He was delivered by Dr. A. Kenneth Stolpman, M. D. of Birmingham. He was born at 11:23 A. M. and weighed 8 lbs.

Peter is the quiet one in the family. He likes to draw and put models together. He has attended Poppleton School K-5.

6) Christopher Paul Harris m.
b. 4 Aug. 1967 Pontiac, Mich. b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: United Methodist occupation:
occupation: Student grade 4 (1976-77) dau. of:

Christopher Harris was born in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac, Michigan. He was delivered by Dr. A. Kenneth Stolpman, M. D. of Birmingham.

Chris was born at 10:51 A. M. and weighed 8 lbs. 3 oz. Chris is a happy child with a sparkle in his eye and an impish look. He likes the out-of-doors and is a tease. He has attended Poppleton School, (K-4). He likes animals too.

6) Thomas Matthew Harris
b. 29 Jan. 1969 Pontiac, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Student grade 2 (1976-77)

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Thomas Harris was born in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac, Michigan. He was delivered by Dr. A. Kenneth Stolpman, M. D. of Birmingham. He was born at 9:37 P. M. and weighed 7 lbs.

The night Tom was born I was working on the same floor; in the Coronary Care Unit. There is an emergency door between our Unit and Delivery; so we always knew when a baby was about to be born and listened for it's cry. But that night when we heard the doctors scrubbing we had no idea it was Barbara about to deliver. Always before they had let me know when she went in to the hospital, but this time they didn't call me. After the baby was born and Barbara was back in recovery my son Rod called and said, "Mother how would you like to come over and see your new grandson?" It was time for my break so I wasn't long going over to see them. Tom was fine but his mother was having problems for the first time with hemorrhaging, so they kept her in recovery for some time.

He has attended Poppleton School, (K-2). He at this stage in life looks like he might be the carpenter in the family. He likes to work with wood, hammer and nails. He is fond of animals are all of the children. Besides the animals I have mentioned that Elizabeth claims as her's the children have had gerbils, hampsters, guinea-pigs, rabbits and white rats as well as turtles and a large variety of fish; and of course numerous cats and dogs.

6) Joy Marie Harris
b. 19 Dec. 1974 Pontiac, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Joy Harris was born in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac, Michigan. She was delivered by Dr. A. Kenneth Stopman, M. D. of Birmingham. She was delivered by Caesarean Section; and weighed 9 lbs. 2½ oz. She was born at 5:20 P. M. and was 19 in long.

She was named correctly. She is a happy little girl and has brought much joy to the whole family. Even her cousin, Vincent, says he loves her best of all. She is waiting for the children when the bus drops them off from school and as each one comes in there is a "hi," for mother but hugs and kisses from all for Joy. And she acts as if they all came home just to see her! She has a kitten she loves, but also likes to ride on the horses.

Her 'Grandpa' Hartoog had the privilege of Baptizing her on Mother's Day, 11 May 1975. She was Baptized in the Elkton United Methodist Church, Elkton, Michigan where she and her sister Elizabeth and her mother had attended the Mother and Daughter Banquet with me the night before. I was the speaker at the banquet.

Rodney & Barbara Harris
Sept. 12, 1970

5) Daniel Merle Harris
b. 30 Oct. 1947 Hazel Park, Mich.
m. 4 Nov. 1967 Troy, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: R. R. Engineer

m. Karon Louise Hollingsworth
b. 14 Dec. 1947
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker/Clerk
dau. of: Richard Herbert & Ruth Adeline (Tolonen) Hollingsworth

Daniel Harris was born at 10:25 A. M. in the Helene Meinke Hospital, 817 E. Eight Mile Rd., Hazel Park, Michigan. He weighed 8 lbs. 9 oz. and was 20 3/4 in long. He was delivered by Dr. Herman Meinke, M. D. His grandmother, Bertha Harris, was a practical nurse at the hospital and gave him his first bath. He was named by his father and his Aunt Anny Harris, after his grandfather and his uncle.

Dan started school at Big Beaver with Mrs. Burgess as his first teacher then part of the class was transferred to the Log Cabin School where he had Mrs Wiggins for his teacher. He attended Big Beaver, (1-4); Morse, (5-6; Baker Jr. High, (7-8); Troy High, (10-11); and Ionia High, (12) graduating in 1966.

When Dan had his pre-school examination it revealed a visual problem. Further testing showed 20/30 vision in the right eye and 20/50 in the left. He had always been a very busy and restless child with short interest span. We were told this was partly due to the short time he was able to hold a focus. He was fitted with glasses and made steady progress. He still wears glasses but mostly for eye strain.

As a toddler Dan was forever wandering off. He could be out of sight so quickly it was frightening to the whole family. He would be with you then suddenly he had disappeared! Frequently we found him at the end of the path that lead to "Tommy's Market" and one time a neighbor found him riding his tricycle down Rochester Road.

One time two of my neighbor women were keeping an eye on him while I was home baking his birthday cake. He was playing in the yard with the other children, and told them he was going home. Well he didn't come home and we hunted for two hours for him. Finally a neighbor girl who lived on Rochester road came bringing him home. He was all mud and crying. Her mother had heard him crying and went out in back to investigate and found him literally 'stuck in the mud'. She pried him loose and sent her daughter home with him. This was his third birthday. After he blew out the candles on his cake he said, "get another match mama that was fun!"

Another time we had gone to Ferndale to church on Sunday evening and had decided to leave the children home with a baby sitter. Well, church services had just begun when I was called to the phone; and heard a familiar voice say: "Aunt Vera, you had better come right home because Danny is gone!" I said: "What do you mean by 'gone'? I was somewhat relieved when she said, "we don't know; we can't find him any place." Just as we arrived home, Mr. Laughton from across the street drove up with him. And then the story came out. As soon as we left, Micky called Carolyn and while they were chatting, and David and Rodney were watching television, Danny decided to follow us. But neighbors on 15-mile road saw him with only his training pants and a bathrobe on paddling down the pavement barefoot and crying. They went out and picked him up and carried him into the house and called the police. They were not sure who he belonged to. In the meantime the girls had called the police, so he was found before we got home. Both of the girls were so embarrassed they promised faithfully they would never do that again. They are both grown now with families of their own, and each time I see either of them they remind me of that horrible experience.

I will cite one more frightening experience. We had been invited to visit friends

Who lived at Cass Lake. This time we had put a harness on Dan with a rope and tied him to the picnic table. We were gathered around talking but Dan's father was sitting on the ground by Dan to keep him company. Suddenly we noticed Dan was out of his harness and gone. I took off down the road toward the Lake, running as fast as I could. I was able to scoop him up out of the water just in time; he had run as fast as his little legs would carry him right into that big lake!

Dan was always fascinated by trains. We gave him his first electric train, an "American Flyer," for Christmas of 1955. He was 8 years old; but he still has that train and it runs well. When Grand Trunk Railroad was converting to diesel engines they ran an excursion from Royal Oak to Durand and back with what was supposed to be the 'last run' for the steam engines. Dan and a friend, Buster Mansfield took the ride. They were 10 at the time. (They have run other excursions, however, since then)

He delivered papers for the Royal Oak Daily Tribune for a year and then bought a Detroit News route and delivered the News for about a year.

After graduation he worked for a while at Jones Trucking; loading the big trailors. Then he went to work as a mechanic for Royal Pontiac, the Pontiac dealership in Troy. He is very mechanical and fixes his own cars all the time and occasionally helps others repair theirs. But on 15 January 1968 his dream came true and he was hired by the Grand Trunk Railroad, On 29 Mar. 1968 he transferred to Engine Service. He was certified on 23 March 1972 and made his first trip alone as Engineer on the 31st. He is real happy with his work. He passed his exam's "with flying colors."

Dan and Karon Hollingsworth were married, 4 Nov. 1967, in the First Methodist Church of Troy by the Reverend Robert Clune, pastor. Karon's sister Judy was her maid of honor and her two other sisters, Peggy and Cheryl served as bridesmaids. Best man was David J. Valko III of Royal Oak. Dan's brother Rod served as one of the ushers. David escorted his mother.

Dan and Karon had their first date on 25 August 1963. They went to the Michigan State Fair, in Detroit, with Rod and Barb. Karon had attended Dan's 16th birthday party at his home.

Karon was born in Highland Park General Hospital, Highland Park, Michigan. She weighed 8 lbs. 4 3/4 oz. at birth and was delivered by Dr. Simon, M. D.

She attended school at Troy No. 2, (K); Colerain, (1-5); Hart, (6); Baker Jr. High, (7-8); and Troy High School, (9-12).

Dan was enrolled in the Cradle Roll of the Ferndale Nazarene Sunday School, 5 Sept. 1948; he was Baptized that same year by the Reverend Kenneth A. Hutchinson, pastor. Dan has always been good at memory work. At five years of age he could quote: Gen. 1:1; Ps. 119:105; Rom. 6:23; and John 3:16. At seven years of age on 8 Aug. 1954 he accepted Christ as his Saviour. Then on 22 December 1963 he joined the First Methodist Church of Troy; after going through the Catacism Class with the Reverend Ralph Janka, pastor. Karon is also a member there.

Dan and Karon do not have any children. Karon is a diabetic; this condition was discovered at fifteen months of age. She has miscarried three times and the doctors have advised against another pregnancy. She works as clerk at Perry's Drugs in Troy. They live in Clawson where they are buying a home. Karon is very good with many types of crafts. She has made nearly all of the ornaments on their Christmas Tree. She also does macrame, ceramics, crocheting, sewing; she makes most of her clothes, and jewelry. She tries anything in the line of crafts that is current. They have a couple of cats and a beagle dog.

Dans hobbies include piano for his own enjoyment, photography and auto repair. In warm weather he enjoys his Harley "Super Glide" motorcycle. Karon rides with him. They both enjoy stereo music and a fire in their beautiful fireplace; brother Rod built for them. It is made of white quarry cut Georgian marble with black split slate raised hearth and mantle. It is perfectly matched and beautiful.

4) Eugene Ernest Furnish
b. 13 Feb. 1922 Shiawassee Co., Mi.
m. 20 Oct. 1946 Detroit, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Middlebury United Methodist
occupation: Committee man/Branch Chairman Local 182 AIW

m. Letha Luella Hammond
b. 22 May 1926 Lansing, Michigan
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Middlebury United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Irwin Dennis & Hertha Rose (Brockway) Hammond

Eugene Furnish was born on the Wallace Moore farm in Shiawassee Twp., Shiawassee Co., Michigan. This farm is located at the corner of Garrison and Scribner roads. He attended the Lemon School there through the first half of the seventh grade. In March of 1935 he moved with his family onto a farm near Morrice, in Antrim Twp., where he attended the Beard School through the eighth grade. He then went to Morrice High School where he graduated in 1940, Salutatorian of his Class.

In high school he belonged to the Future Farmers of America, and had many projects. As a small boy he became fascinated with pigeons, and at an early age raised many different varieties. He became very knowledgeable with his study of all sorts of pigeons, their habits and the feeding of their young. He has always enjoyed studying nature and the habits of animals as well as the birds.

He enjoys small game hunting as well as hunting for deer. He has gone out West several times hunting both for deer and elk and has made trips to Canada moose hunting as well as fishing.

From the time he graduated from high school until he went to work in Lansing in 1948 at the Motor Wheel Corporation he worked at Redmonds in Owosso, Fisher Body in Lansing, the Willow Run Plant in Ypsilanti and then worked at Chevrolet in Flint for one year. He is now on his 29th year at Motor Wheel, where he serves as a Committee man and Branch Chairman of Local 182 of the Allied Industrial Workers Union. He works as a Press Operator on relief and as a Press Set-up man on Saturdays. In his role with the Union he has traveled extensively throughout the United States attending Union Conventions, Training Schools, and Union Industry Shows. He has been sent to both Madison and Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Chicago, Illionis; Denver, Colorado; St. Louis and Kansas City, Missouri; Phoenix, Arizona; Miami, Florida; New York City, New York; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Chevy Chase, Maryland; Washington D. C. and Chatham, Canada as well as numerous cities in Michigan. He has also been interviewed on Radio and Television many times on the Lansing Stations.

Eugene and Letha Hammond were married, 20 October 1946 by the Reverend James H. James, pastor of the Thoburn Methodist Church in Detroit. They were married in the church parsonage. Eugene's sister and brother-in-law, Vera and Vincent Harris, served as their attendants. They were married at 5:30 o'clock on Sunday afternoon with a double ring ceremony. After the ceremony they took a short trip to Northern Michigan.

Letha was born in Lansing, Michigan. She attended school at Laingsburg, (K-2); Sciota #2. (3-7); Perry, (8); Morrice, (9-10), and Gaines, (11-12) graduating with the class of 1945.

The first years of their marriage they lived on a farm near Morrice. Then in 1950 they moved upstairs in the home of Eugene's parents on the Baldwin Road. They lived here until they were able to move into their own home in Sciota Twp., located on the Putman road between Hibbard and Bennington roads.

In 1959 they purchased 63 acres of land and then built a basement on it. Then had a house moved on it. The house was remodeled, Eugene and Letha doing much of the work themselves. They now have a lovely seven room home, with two baths, in the country where Eugene can pursue his hobbies as a small farmer, and both he and Letha

enjoy gardening and raising flowers and shrubs. Eugene has been bothered with an asthmatic condition most of his life and does much better with the more relaxed and leisurely type of atmosphere.

Eugene also has several colonies of honey-bees. His mother raised bees before him and evidentally was able to teach him enough to stimulate his interest, as he has raised bees all of his adult life.

Letha has always done a lot of sewing, first for her three daughters, and now for her grandchildren. She also enjoys doing ceramics. She served for two years as President of the Middlebury United Methodist Women as well as working with the youth of the church in the past. Currently she is Chairperson for the Extension Club in her area. Their travels have taken them several times to Northern Michigan as well as to the Upper Peninsula of Michigan and to Florida and Arizona.

Eugene and Letha have suffered much mental anguish over their children. Starting with their second child every other child has been born with what was diagnosed at both the University Hospital, Ann Arbor and the Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, both in Michigan as "Epilepsy due to recessive genes." Their first, third and fifth children are normal and have been above average scholastically.

I am sure that we who have had normal healthy children can in no way fully understand the aching heart of a parent or parents caught in this sort of web. With no epilepsy on either side of the house that anyone ever knew about! Sometimes it seems there are just no satisfactory answers, however the children were all evaluated at both hospitals mentioned above.

Eugene and Letha's children honored them on the 17th of October 1971 with a 25th Wedding Anniversary celebration. They were told they were being taken out for dinner but instead they were taken to a rented hall in an Owosso bank where they were greeted by many friends, family and other relatives.

To this union six children were born: Dean Duane, Clyde Calvin, Sandra Sharlene, Cindy Caroline, Eugene Ernest and Lorrie Lea Furnish.

5)	Dean Duane Furnish	m. Sheryl Lynn Hunt
	b. 7 Aug. 1947 Owosso, Mich.	b.
	m. 5 May 1973 East Lansing, Mi.	d.
	d.	cause:
	cause:	burial:
	burial:	church:
	church:	occupation:
	occupation: Factory Worker/Student	dau. of: Ralph R. & ( ) Hunt

Dean Furnish was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. He was born at 12:27 P. M. and weighed 7 lbs. 14½ oz. He was delivered by William F. Weinkauf, M. D.

He attended the Hammond School, named for his great-grandparents, the Dewitt Hammonds, near Ovid, (K-3); then the school was consolidated and he was bussed to the High School where he attended (4-12)graduating on Thursday evening, June 2, 1966 at eight o'clock at the Ovid High School. During his high school years he was a member of the Future Farmers of America. His many projects included raising hogs. The "pig" project was very successful. His breed sows raised large litters and he was able to sell the fatted animals when hog prices were at a peak. He has as a proud possession, a first place trophy he earned while judging beef-cattle when he visited Michigan State University with his high school F. F. A group.

Dean attended Lansing Community College for two years and then Michigan State University graduating with a Degree in Elementary Education. He did some sub-teaching but did not teach full time. He worked three summers at Motor Wheel in Lansing and

at the Reo factory for one summer. He then hired in full time at Motor Wheel and worked there for four years,

In May of 1973 he and Sheryl Hunt were married in the Alumni Chapel of Michigan State University, East Lansing.

Also in May he purchased his grandparent's farm. He had spent many hours following his grandfather, Clyde Furnish, around on this farm, wearing the same kind of overalls, and imitating him in so many ways, as he was growing up with him there on the farm.

Dean's greatest recreation interest seemed to be in gardening. When he lived with his grandfather and after purchasing the farm he spent much of his free time caring for his garden vegetables. Beginning with the early spring months he planted seeds and tended the plants in flats in the house and then planted them in the garden. After weeks of weeding and cultivating he was able to harvest his crop. Needless to say Dean's friends and his relatives enjoyed their visits to the farm and Dean's "gifts" during the vegetable harvesting season, as they always had done with his grandparents before him.

It is also noteworthy, though not too surprising if somewhat belated, that Dean's interest also turned to keeping honey-bees. In 1974 he took a short course in bee keeping at Michigan State University. His studies were under the direction of the Nationally known Dr. E. C. Martin, Professor of the Entomology Department.

Dean ordered his first swarms from Southern breeders. Later he captured wild swarms to augment his apeary. He added a honey extractor, some comb-honey equipment and then sought out a market where he sold the packaged honey.

He also raised pullets and developed a flock of laying hens. His eggs found a ready market with his fellow employees at Motor Wheel.

In September of 1976 Dean sold the farm. He decided it was too much for him to handle, and he didn't like factory work, and he really wanted to go back to school. He sold the farm to Oren and Lester Semans, who were neighbors, and went to Maryland where he is currently enrolled at the Primal Institute of Psychology - 1976.

5) Clyde Calvin Furnish
b. 20 Feb. 1950 Owosso, Michigan
d. 8 Jan. 1951 Flint, Michigan
cause: Meningitis
burial: Middlebury Cemetery

Clyde Calvin Furnish was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. He was born by Caesarean Section, and weighed 9 lbs. 5 oz. He was delivered by William F. Weinkauf, M. D. of Corunna.

He was hospitalized the later part of September in Owosso, and then was transferred to Hurley Hospital in Flint with a temperature elevation of 106. He was admitted again to Hurley Hospital the early part of December and was diagnosed as having meningitis,

He died on January 8th in Hurley Hospital at ten and one half months of age. His funeral was conducted from the Jennings - Lyons Chapel in Owosso at 2:30 o'clock on Thursday the eleventh. The Reverend Kenneth Harris, uncle of the deceased, officiated. Interment was in the Middlebury Cemetery, Middlebury Twp., Shiawassee Co.

5) Sandra Sharlene Furnish
b. 22 Feb. 1952 Owosso, Michigan
m. 26 Dec. 1969 Bannister, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker

m. William Morris Farr
b. 5 Oct. 1952 SanDiego, California
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: General Telephone Co.
son of: Morris & Emma(Vogl) Farr

Sandra Furnish was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. She too was delivered Caesarean Section by William F. Weinkauf, M. D. of Corunna. She weighed 7 lbs. 7 3/4 oz.

She attended school (K-7) at North Elementary; Ovid Jr. High (7-8); and graduated from Ovid - Elsie High School on Thursday evening, June 4, 1970.

At nine years of age her parents gave her a black pony "Beauty" to ride. She doesn't ride her anymore, but Beauty still graces the landscape of her parents farm. Sandra played the flute and Oboe in the school band (5-12). She is another gal with many interests. She likes to sew, do ceramics, crewel work, knit, crochet and hook rugs. She also likes to refinish furniture.

She and Bill Farr were classmates in school for four years. He also played in the school band, but played the Coronet (5-12). He now plays the guitar as well. He and Sandy were married in their Senior year of high school at St. Cyrils Church in Bannister. During Bill's school years he assisted his father in managing a pheasant shooting preserve and target range. He enjoys hunting and fishing. Their 140 acre farm was named "Wild Acres." He now works as a I and R Serviceman for the General Telephone Company.. His hobby is painting cars, and he does a beautiful job on them.

Sandy and Bill bought a new little home in Corunna five years ago. They are the parents of three children: Jamie Mae, Jason Jacob and Jesse Dean Farr.

6) Jamie Mae Farr
b. 9 May 1970 Owosso, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: 1st grade 1976-77

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Jamie Farr was born in Memorial Hospital. She was born at 6:25 A. M. and weighed 5 lbs. 8 oz. She is a first grader at the Shiawassee St. Elementary School, Corunna.

6) Jason Jacob Farr
b. 28 Jan. 1974 Owosso, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Jason Farr was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. He was born at 9:52 A. M. and weighed 7 lbs. $6\frac{1}{2}$ oz.

6) Jesse Dean Farr
b. 3 Sept. 1976 Lansing, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Jesse Farr was born in St. Lawrence Hospital, Lansing Michigan. He was born at 5:30 P. M. and weighed 8 lbs. 10 oz. He was delivered by Dr. Abdul R. Fayyad, using the "Leboyer Birth Method."

5) Cindy Caroline Furnish
b. 19 Apr. 1957 Owosso, Michigan
d. 8 Dec. 1965 Caro, Michigan
cause: Epilepsy/Pneumonia
burial: Middlebury Cemetery

Cindy Furnish was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. She was delivered Caesarean Section by William F. Weinkauf, M. D. She weighed 9 lbs 5 oz.

It was known soon after birth that she too was afflicted. She was tenderly cared for at home until she was two years of age. Because of the many grand mal seizures the doctors of both University Hospital, Ann Arbor, and Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit insisted that she be placed in the Epilepsy Hospital in Caro. She died there at age eight years on Wednesday afternoon, December 8, 1965.

Her funeral was held at 1:30 P. M. Saturday at Jennings - Lyons Chapel in Owosso with the Reverend Kenneth Harris, uncle of the deceased, officiating. Burial was in Middlebury Cemetery, Shiawassee Co., Michigan.

5) Eugene Ernest Furnish, Jr.
b. 15 Feb. 1961 Owosso, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Middlebury United Methodist
occupation: Student 10th grade 1976-77

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Ern Furnish was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. He was delivered by Caesarean Section by William F. Weinkauf, M. D. He weighed 9 lbs. 10 oz.

He attended Eastern Elementary School (K-6); Ovid Jr. High (7-8) and is a Sophomore at Ovid - Elsie High School. He belongs to 4-H. He had rabbits for his project for four years and received four blue ribbons. He has had gardening now for three years. He likes animals and has a pet coon almost every year until it hears the 'mating call' and leaves to make it's abode with it's own kind. He likes to fish and hunt and sets traps in the winter for mink and muskrats.

He has played the Coronet in the Ovid - Elsie School Band since the 5th grade. He presently plays in the Senior Band as well as the Marching Band for the School. He did sing in the church choir, though now he seems to have lost his singing voice or desire. He also belongs to the United Methodist Youth Fellowship.

Ernest is and has always been a boy with many athletic interests. His room displays many bowling trophies, arm patches etc. that he acquired in "Peanut" League and Junior League Bowling competitions. He has been the pitcher on a 4-H soft-fall team for the past four years. He is an occomplished swimmer. His training at the Ovid - Elsie High School Pool included all basic strokes and life-protecting techniques. In 1974 he was one of fourteen from a class of one hundred and thirty to receive the "President's Award" in physical fitness acquired through endurance contests in various calesthenic exercises. In his Freshman year he ran Cross-Country with an Ovid - Elsie High School team in competition with students from other area schools.

He enjoys "hamming"on Citizens Band Radio; listening to Sterophonic Records and Tapes; reading magazines and books on fishing and hunting and sharing his interests with his circle of friends, often via the telephone.

During the summer months several of the neighbours have hired him to help harvest their grain and store baled hay and straw and to assist them with other "farmers" work.

Presently he is employed after school by a neighborhood fishing-tackle and bait enterprise. He skins chicken "pelts" for How West Tackle Company. The pelts are dried and shipped nation wide to bait manufacturing concerns.

Ernies number one pal; confidant; teacher/instructor, surely all around best friend, since he first began dating his Sis, is his brother-in-law, Bill Farr.

5) Lorrie Lea Furnish
b. 3 May 1963 Owosso, Michigan
d. 23 Jan. 1977 Caro, Michigan
cause: Epilepsy/Pneumonia complications
burial: Middlebury Cemetery

Lorrie Furnish too was born at Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. She too was delivered by William F. Weinkauf, M. D. by Caesarean Section. She weighed 9 lbs. 1 oz. at birth.

Her parents did not know that she too was afflicted until she was ten weeks old. She also was cared for at home until she was one year of age. Then she had to be placed in the Caro Epilepsy Hospital. She is now 13 years of age.

Late report: Lorrie was taken to Hurley Medical Center, Flint, Michigan in late December (1976) with pneumonia. She was there about three weeks. Her condition seemed to improve and she was returned to the Caro Hospital where she died one week later. She died on Sunday morning at 8 A. M. on the 23rd of January 1977.

Lorrie's funeral was conducted from the Jennings - Lyons Chapel, Owosso, Michigan at 3:00 P. M. on Wednesday. The Reverend Brian Kundinger, pastor of the Middlebury United Methodist Church, officiated. Interment was in the Middlebury Cemetery.

Footnote:

Research has found the daughter of Mary (Furnish Shearer, Harriet Shearer, was striken with epilepsy at age 14 and Olive, daughter of Thomas Furnish had "fits."

4) Jane Julia Furnish
b. 31 May 1924 Shiawassee Twp., Mi.
m. 13 Jan. 1945 Miami, Florida
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Nazarene
occupation: Factory/Homemaker

1. m. James Elmo Stebbins
b. 23 Sept. 1919 Chataneuga, Tenn.
d. 16 Jan. 1973 Jacksonville, Fla.
cause: Tuberculosis/Emphysema
burial: Military Sec., Opa-Lacka, Fla.
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: Store/Theater
son of: Harley (Winchell) & Elizabeth (Freeman) Stebbins

Jane Furnish was born on the Wallace Moore farm in Shiawassee Co., Michigan. This farm is located at the corner of Garrison and Scribner roads. She was partially named for Mrs. Moore whose first name was Julia. She attended the Lemon School starting at the age of six. She was held back one year because of an unbilical hernia. She attended there until she was ten years of age. At that time she moved with her family to a farm near Morrice in Antrim Twp., where she attended the Beard School through the eighth grade. She attended Morrice High School (9-12) graduating in 1943 having received the third highest marking in her class her Senior year. She was offered a scholarship to Ferris State College, but did not accept it. Earlier in school she had thought she wanted to become a teacher, but by graduation time she had decided against it. A decision she says she has never regretted.

She was in both the Junior and Senior plays. She played basketball for four years. History was her favorite subject. She is an avid reader and likes to keep up on current events.

Her Junior year in high school she worked for her room and board at the Joe McDivitt's and her Senior year she did the same; living with Mrs. Dora Flynn. Then on her week-ends both years she worked at a small restaurant called 'Ruby's Cafe' at Perry's intersection with M-78 and M-47. After graduation she took over the night shift of running a small diner located where M-78 by-passes the village of Morrice. After a short while she went to work in Owosso at the Bendix Aviation Corporation where she worked for nearly a year.

It was while working at Bendix that she was persuaded by a co-worker to go to Florida with her as her husband had been stationed there at Coral Gables. Jane's parents were reluctant to have her go that far away from home at age nineteen,on her own, as she had lived a rather sheltered life and was quite naive. She says she will never forget her father' s parting words to her. He said, "Jane,you are going to be like a little bird that first leaves the nest. There will be hawks, crows and other 'bad birds' out to get you! You take care of yourself that none of them catch you."

Her first job in Coral Gables was at a soda fountain. Here she met a tailor who persuaded her to come and work for him; which she did, but not for long. He had her ripping seams and answering the phone in a dark dingy room which was far too boring for her. She then went to work at a factory that made plastic domes for airplanes. While working there she started dating James Stebbins. She had met him while working at the soda fountain in Coral Gables. They were married in Miami about a year later.

Jim served in the U. S. Army in the South Pacific Theater, enlisting in 1942. He was wounded at Guadalcanal when the ship he was on hit a mine and he received third degree burns on his chest from the oil on the water that had caught fire and was burning. He was wounded a second time when a Japanese hand gernade was thrown into a foxhole where he and a 'buddy' were. The gernade hit his buddy and he was blown to bits. Jim received a leg injury as well as a shattered knee. Because of "shell shock" he was returned to the States where he spent several months in White Sulpher Springs at the Veterans Hospital in West Virginia. He never fully recovered. He was given a 90% disability with an honorable discharge in 1943. He received a Purple heart.

After his discharge he worked in various stores in the Miami area, usually as a stock clerk. But his true love was with the theater. He was an artist and demanded perfection. He also did store window dressings, and often painted his own backdrop. He was tempermental, and if in the mood did some beautiful paintings, as well as landscapes, and cartoons. Two of his best paintings were a picture of his oldest daughter Elain, at the age of one and one of General Patton.

One of Walt Disney's Scouts observed some of his work at one time and offered him a position with the company. For some unknown reason he declined this offer. He worked for some time as Assistant Manager of the Olympia Theater in Miami.

After the war was over jobs became scarce so Jim and Jane and the children all moved to Michigan hoping to find work. He worked at Woolworths in Lansing for a while and then became Assistant Manager of the Gladmer Theater there also.

Problems were many in this marriage and after seven years it ended in divorce in 1952. Jim went back to Florida where he lived mostly with his mother. He had many and varied jobs but he never could erase the nightmare of the war from his mind and used alcohol as a means to forget. He died in a Veteran's Hospital near Jacksonville, Florida, a vicim of tuberculosis and severe emphysema on 16 January 1973. He was buried in the Military Section of the Opa-Locka Cemetery, Florida.

Jim was the son of Harley Winchell,who had been adopted and his name was changed to Stebbins, and Elizabeth (Freeman)Stebbins.

To this union three daughters were born: Elain Jane, Candace Rae and Cheryl Beth Stebbins.

In October 1952 Jane went to work for Oldsmobile in Lansing where she worked until she suffered a spinal injury in 1961. She has since had two spinal fusions as the result of the injury and is on a permenant sick leave until she reaches retirement age. In 1973 she was in a body cast following the last fusion, which was done at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, for five months.

Shortly after Jane went to work at Oldsmobile in 1952 she was diagnosed as having cervical cancer. Surgery was done immediately and her recovery was rapid.

Some of her earliest recollections are when at age four her father's 'buck' sheep "Tom" had gotten out of the barnyard, and Jane who was fearless and playing near the barn, started toward him to pet him and he charged forward and bunted her to the ground. Each time she got up onto her feet he would bunt her down again. Finally Mother heard her cry and saw what was happening. She yelled to Jane to "lie still," which Jane did not do, Mother grabbed the garden rake and ran with it. She dragged the teeth of the rake down across ole Tom's nose and he made a hasty retreat back to the barnyard. Mother rescued Jane who was terribly freightened and bruised some but not badly hurt.

She remembers the many years that as a family we packed a picnic dinner, and then gathered all the flowers, in bloom, from the yard and then many times purchased a few plants along the way, and we visited Sowles Cemetery near Maple Rapids. Here we put flowers,and a plant or two, on the graves of our grandparents and other members of the family that were buried there. Then we had a picnic dinner afterwards. Sometimes on the ground under a shade tree, but more often in Maple Rapids where we visited a great-aunt and uncle, Aunt Clara and Uncle Henry Schlarf. As a child, not knowing the the real meaning of Memorial Day, she looked forward to the outing and the picnic.

Another unforgetable and very sad story she tells is when she was eight years of age and Mother had bought her a new suit of long underware. This was 'depression' years and 'new anything' was hard to come by. Hand-me-downs were more the normal. Anyway she had put her new underware on and had gone to bed with them on. To be awakened by her sister; telling her she would have to take off the new underware as her sister, Edith who was two years younger than she, was very sick and the doctor had said she would have to go to the hospital and she didn't have any underware nice enough to take her there in. As it turned out giving up her new underware was a small

thing, as she had to give up her sister and closest playmate as well, as Edith died just a few days later of complications caused from an appendix that had ruptured a few days before.

Jane had a brother two years older than she and another one five years younger. But she chose to play mostly alone, and she feels that is the reason she still likes her own company and enjoys times when she is alone for short periods.

4) Jane Julia Furnish Stebbins

(See information with first marriage)

m. James Charles Shull
b. 14 May 1929 Bryan, Ohio
m. 2 June 1962 Mason, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Quality G. M. Auditor
son of: Charles Herbert & Leylis Ruth (Bowers) Shull

Jane and Jim Shull were married in the Methodist church, Mason, Michigan 2 June 1962. They met while both were working at Oldsmobile.

Jim was born in Bryan, Ohio. His father died at a very early age, just before his 29th birthday. Jim was only 20 months old. He attended school in West Unity, Ohio, and then at the age of seven years moved with his mother and step-father Clyde Hoffman, to Ionia, Michigan where he attended grade school. Later they moved to Sunfield, Michigan where he graduated from High School in 1948.

On 24 June 1948 he married Joyce Jackson. To this union three children were born: Steven Charles, born in Ionia, Michigan on 26 June 1949; Debra Dawn, born in Hastings, Michigan on 11 April 1952; and Becky Jo who was also born in Hastings, on 7 March 1957. This marriage ended in divorce.

Jim remembers the years when he and his mother lived with his grandfather, Frank Bowers, after his father had died. He loved his Grandpa Bowers and remembers the many good times he enjoyed with him in his early years. Especially does he remember the times they went hunting and fishing. His grandfather made a lasting impression on him as did many of his uncles.

Jim worked at Oldsmobile in Lansing for a short time in 1948 then re-hired in 1950 as an hourly employee. In 1960 he became a supervisor in the Inspection Department. During this time he took short courses at General Motors Institute in Flint and also at Oldsmobile. He was promoted to General Foreman and then placed on a corporate level job working out of Detroit as a Quality General Motors Auditor traveling throughout the United States and Canada contacting all General Motors car and truck assembly plants and thus giving them a quality index rating which is reported back to Detroit, Michigan and New York as to the performance of each individual factory.

On the 12th of March 1976 Jim was sent to Frankfort, Germany, Brussels and Antwerp, Belgium; Singapore: Melbourne, Australia; Johannasburg and Port Elizabeth, South Africa; Rio de Janeiro and San Paulo, Brazil. Jim and another man were selected to go to the General Motors plants in these countries to teach and instruct and also observe in the ways the job was being done there. General Motors wanted the overseas standards brought up to date and wanted them to check their cars for the quality index auditing.

Jim is an avid hunter and fisherman. Traditionally he takes a fishing trip into Canada each year. He likes doing carpentry work around the home base in his leisure time.

Jane and Jim both love the out-of-doors. They have a camper and are able to get away and enjoy nature at her best occasionally. They have a small yard, but Jane plants tomatoes and peppers among the flowers. She also enjoys doing crafts. She likes to do bead making, crewel embroidery, knit and occasionally put a Jig-Saw Puzzle together.

Jane and Jim now have fourteen grandchildren between them. They try hard to be 'good' grandparents. Jane only remembers one grandparent, her Grandma Furnish, who died when she was six and one half years of age. But she does remember her reading to her and because Grandma had cataracts on her eyes she had to hold the book very close to her face. She also told stories and sang to her. This is part of the heritage they would like to leave their grandchildren; the fact that they took time to be with them and had time to listen when they wanted to talk. They would like them to be honest always in all of their dealings; to love God; and "to thyself be true."

5) Elain Jane Stebbins
b. 23 Oct. 1945 Ovid, Mich.
m. 29 June 1963 Lansing, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
occupation: Secretarial Work
church: Nazarene

m. William George (Fowler) Latunski
b. 28 Sept. 1942 Owosso, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
occupation: Supt.'s Clerk
church:
son of: William Fowler & Janetta (Taylor) Fowler

Elain Stebbins was born in the Ovid Nursing Home, Ovid, Michigan. She weighed 7 lbs. and was delivered by Dr. Fillinger at 5:00 P. M. She was named by her father.

She started school in Morrice and also attended in Perry, Corunna and Mason High School, graduating in 1963 from Eastern High School, Lansing on Thursday evening, 13 of June, at 8 o'clock at the Civic Center Auditorium.

Elain and Bill Latunski were married on Saturday, 29 June 1963 at 3 o'clock in the afternoon at the Miller Road Bible Church, Lansing. The Reverend James Dotson, pastor of the church, performed the double ring ceremony. Her sister Candy was her maid of honor, Dave Bowling was best man. A reception was held for the 125 guests in the church parlors after the ceremony. They spent their honeymoon in Northern Mich.

Bill's father and mother were divorced and his mother married Edward Latunski. Mr. Latunski adopted both Bill and his brother and had their names changed from Fowler to Latunski. Bill is a 1960 graduate of Sexton High School, Lansing. He attended Lansing Community College for 1½ years. He has been employed at Oldsmobile since 1964. He works as a superintendent's clerk; keeping the personnel records of all employees under his supervision.

Elain has held various jobs, many of them in the secretarial line. She has also worked in the pharmacy at Sparrow Hospital. She enjoys reading, skiing and likes to take various human enlightment courses.

This marriage terminated in divorce in 1974. To this union three children were born; the boys live with their father and Jill with her mother. Their names are: Michael Todd, Chad Edward and Jill Margurette Latunski.

6) Michael Todd Latunski m.

b. 7 Mar. 1967 Lansing, Mich.	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church:	occupation:
occupation: Student grade 4 (1976-77)	dau. of:

Michael Latunski was born in St. Lawrence Hospital, Lansing, Michigan. He was born at 2:26 A. M. and weighed 7 lbs 10 oz. He was delivered by Dr. J. A. Caruso. He is in the 4th grade at Maple Grove School, Lansing, Michigan. He likes to build things and is mechanically minded. He also likes sports. He is ambituous and is taking karate lessons on the art of self defense. He is quite serious and very independent. He has belonged to Cub Scouts.

6) Chad Edward Latunski m.

b. 2 Aug. 1969 Lansing, Mich.	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church:	occupation:
occupation: Student grade 2 (1976-77)	dau. of:

Chad Latunski was born in St. Lawrence Hospital, Lansing, Michigan. He was born at 6:22 P. M. and weighed 8 lbs 5 oz. He was delivered by Dr. J. A. Caruso and Dr. D. R. Quigley. He is a student in the 2nd grade at Maple Grove School.

He is a happy-go-lucky and seemingly carefree little boy. He does very well in school and is easy to get along with. He likes to read and is taking karate lessons in the art of self defence like his brother.

6) Jill Margurette Latunski m.

b. 11 Oct. 1971 Lansing, Mich.	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church:	occupation:
occupation:	son of:

Jill Latunski was born in St. Lawrence Hospital, Lansing, Michigan. She was born at 9:08 P. M. and weighed 7 lbs 12 oz. She was delivered by Dr. J. C. Leshock.

Jill is a charming little girl, smart for her age and quite aggressive. She likes to tease; especially her brothers if they are busy.

5) Candace Rae Stebbins (Candy)
b. 4 Jan. 1947 Miami Florida
m. 20 Feb. 1965 Lansing, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Nazarene/Roman Catholic
occupation: Homemaker/Advertising

m. Perry John Bedenbender
b. 11 Oct. 1943 Westphalia, Michigan
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roamn Catholic
occupation: Olds Dist. Mgr.
son of: Raymond & Eleanor (Hufnagle) Bedenbender

Candace Stebbins was born in Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, Florida. She was born at 1:30 A. M. and weighed 6 1/8 lbs.

She attended schools at Perry, Octagon No. 8, Corunna, Mason and graduated from Eastern High School in 1965.

Candy and Perry Bedenbender were married on Saturday 20 February 1965 at 12:30 o'clock in the afternoon at St. Gerard Catholic Church, Lansing. Her sisters Elain and Cheryl were her bridesmaids and Paul Gallagher was best man. His cousin Tom Thelan served as usher. A reception was held at the Capital Grange in East Lansing. They went to Washington D. C. on their honeymoon.

Candy has been an active worker in several volunteer projects such as; a volunteer probation officer& chairman of cerebral palsy, both in Deluth, Minnesota. She also worked in commercial television advertising. Since moving to Burnsville, Minnesota (a suburb of Minneapolis) she is now a median director for a Minneapolis based advertising agency involved in television and radio and newspaper.

Perry attended Westphalia School where he graduated in 1962. He went to work at Olds in 1963 in the traffic department. He was transferred to Milwaukee, Wis. in 1969 as assistant car distributor. In 1970 he was again promoted to district manager of 34 Olds dealers where he acted as the factory representative and was sent to Duluth, Minn. He was again promoted in 1975 and was sent to Minneapolis. Here they have purchased a lovely split level home.

To this union two sons were born: Dennis Steven and Mark Robert Bedenbender.

6) Dennis Steven Bedenbender
b. 29 Aug. 1965 Lansing, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Student Grade 6 (1976-77)

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Dennis Bedenbender was born at 10:02 A. M. at St. Lawrence Hospital. He weighed 7 lbs. 4 oz. He was delivered by Caesarean section. He was delivered by Dr. L. R. Mannausa. He is in the sixth grade at Sioux Trail School. He is a bright boy and likes sports, especially football and baseball, yet he is tender and kind and likes helping take care of the children in the church nursery. He is taking Saxophone in school.

6) Mark Robert Bedenbender
b. 16 Dec. 1966 Lansing, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
Occupation: Student grade 4 (1976-77)

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Mark Bedenbender was born at 9:00 o'clock A. M. at St Lawrence Hospital, Lansing, Michigan. He weighed 6 lbs. 2 oz. He was delivered Caesarean section by Dr. L. R. Mannausa.

Mark is in the 4th grade at Sioux Trail School, Burnsville, Minnesota. He is playing on a championship soccer team. He likes music and is easy going. He has a good attitude about things.

5) Cheryl Beth Stebbins (Sherry)
b. 13 Dec. 1949 Owosso, Mich.
m. 5 Mar. 1971 Lansing, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Nazarene
occupation: Homemaker

m. Ronald Dean Marr
b. 25 Mar.1948 Lansing, Michigan
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Utility Man
son of: Norman & Laura (Moore) Marr

Cheryl Stebbins was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan, at 1:30 o'clock She weighed 6 lbs 2 oz. at birth.

Sherry attended school at the Octagon No. 8, Canaan, (rural Inghan Co.) Mason, Waverly and West Junior High in Lansing and then graduated from Eastern High School in 1968. She graduated on Wednesday evening, 12 June, at 8:00 in the Lansing Civic Center.

She has held various jobs such as clerk, telephone operator. Her last job was as settlement clerk and proof operator at the Michigan National Bank.

Cheryl and Ronald Marr were married in the Miller Road Bible Church on 5 March 1971, by the Reverend James Dotson, on Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock. A reception followed the ceremony in the Telephone Credit Union Building on Clare Street, Lansing. They took their honeymoon in Canada.

Cheryl loves animals and always wanted a horse. Each Christmas she would ask for one. She finally achieved her dream but after she was married. She now has two beautiful quarter horses which she can talk endlessly about. They bought an older farm home in the country located on four acres of property so she can ride her horses as well as have a barn to keep them in. She and Ron both like country living.

Ron Marr was born in Sparrow Hospital, Lansing at 2:30 A. M. He attended school at Elmhurst, West Junior High and graduated from Everett High School in 1966.

Ron, after only working three days at Fisher Body in Lansing, was asked by his foreman if he would like the job of utility man. He accepted the job and seems happy with his work. Before this heworked in appliance stores both as a salesman and as an electrical repairman.

They are the parents of three children: Amy Lynn, Kevin Michael and Shelley Marie Marr.

6) Amy Lynn Marr m.

b. 6 Nov. 1969 Lansing, Mich.	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church:	occupation:
occupation: Student grade 1 (1976-77)	son of:

Amy Marr was born in Sparrow Hospital, Lansing, Michigan at 2:25 A. M. She was delivered by Dr. B. Wayne Bingham.

She is a first grader at Westwood Elementary school in Portland, Michigan. She is a happy, yet sensitive little girl who's greatest delight is spending time with her Grandpa Shull.

6) Kevin Michael Marr m.

b. 12 Sept. 1971 Lansing, Mich.	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church:	occupation:
occupation: Student grade K. (1976-77)	dau. of:

Kevin Marr was born in Sparrow Hospital, Lansing, Michigan at 7:18 A. M. He was delivered by Dr. L. R. Mannausa.

Kevin is in the Kindergarten at Westwood school in Portland, Michigan. He is all boy and loves to follow and imitate his father whenever possible. He likes school, animals and the out-of-doors. He is full of energy and is rather mischievous.

6) Shelley Marie Marr m.

b. 12 Jan. 1975 Lansing, Mich.	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church:	occupation:
occupation:	son of:

Shelley Marr was born in Sparrow Hospital, Lansing, Michigan at 10:22 A. M. She weighed 9 lbs. 1 oz.

She is a happy little curly haired blonde. She likes animals.

4) Edith Esther Furnish
b. 1 Dec. 1926 Shiawassee Co., Mich.
d. 18 Mar. 1932 Owosso, Michigan
cause: Ruptured appendix/Peritonitis
burial: Sowles Cemetery, Maple Rapids, Mi.

Edith was also born on the Wallace Moore farm in Shiawassee Co., as were four of her sisters and brothers. She too was delivered by Dr. William F. Weinkauf, M. D. of Corunna. She was the largest baby of all nine of the children born to her parents. She weighed 10 lbs. at birth.

She was named for Edith Moore, daughter-in-law of Wallace and Julia Moore and her grandmother, Ada Esther (Sawyer) Furnish.

Edith loved the out-of-doors. She was a very happy mild tempered little girl. She had started the Lemon School District No. 8 the fall before she died the following March.

When she became ill she complained of a "stomach ache". I remember her lying on a couch in the dining room and me asking her where she hurt? And her reply was, "when I lay on my back; my back hurts, when I lay on my side; my side hurts, and when I lay on my tummy; my tummy hurts." After mother tried the usual remedies for a 'stomach ache' and nothing brought relief she called the doctor that evening. He ordered her into the hospital immediately. He was sure it was appendicitis, and hoped it hadn't ruptured!

Mother was allowed to stay with Edith. Dad came home to do chores and be with us children. I well remember the afternoon when he told us: "Dr. Weinkauf says she is going through the crisis and this will determine whither she will live or die." I can see Dad yet walking the dining room floor with the tears running down his cheeks as he prayed that she might live.

This was the days before antibiotics and even though she was a healthy little girl she didn't have strong enough resistance to combat the infection caused from the ugly peritonitis that had already set in. She died 18 March 1932. Her funeral services were held from our home with the Reverend Hugh Townley, pastor of the Corunna Methodist church officiating. She was buried in Sowles Cemetery near Maple Rapids in a grave between her grandmother and grandfather Furnish.

I am sure 'our loss was heaven's gain' but I must say our home was never the same without this 'ray of sunshine.' And there are always those "if only" guilt feelings that dog us all. So many times Mother said "if only I had called the doctor first!" And yet the home remedy's had worked with the rest of us so why wouldn't she try them first? We know alot more as laymen about symptoms of appendicitis than they did 44 years ago. For this we are all thankful as well as the antibiotics and other medical science.

4) Clinton Clyde Furnish
b. 19 May 1929 Shiawassee Co., Mich.
m. 11 Sept. 1948 Owosso, Michigan
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: Tool & Die Keller Oper.

m. Lila Jean Francis
b. 28 July 1930 Shiawassee Co. Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Lyle & Eugena (Lenz) Francis

Clinton Furnish was born on the Wallace Moore farm in Shiawassee Twp. He was delivered by Dr. William F. Weinkauf, M. D. of Corunna. This farm is located at the corner of Garrison and Scribner roads. He attended the Lemon School part of his Kindergarten year and the following March (1935) his parents moved to Antrim Twp. near Morrice and he attended the Beard School through the 8th grade. On 1 June 1943 a tornado swept through the township, destroying the school as well as many other homes and other buildings. He then attended school in Morrice, (9-10) and in March of 1945 his parents moved near Ovid onto the Claude Shufelt farm. Here he attended Ovid High School and graduated on Thursday evening, 5 May 1947 at 8 o'clock in the High School Auditorium. Clinton played football, (position, tackle); he was in both the Jr. and Sr. school play; was secretary of F. F. A. both years as well; received the State Farmers Award and was a member of the National Honor Society finishing in the top third of his class.

On 11 Sept. 1948 he and Lila Jean Francis were married in a double ring ceremony at St. Joseph's Rectory in Owosso. The Reverend Father John S. Daniel officiated at the 11 o'clock A. M. wedding ceremony.

Lila was the only daughter with a family of six boys which included two sets of identical twins. She has lived in the Owosso area all of her life. She attended the local schools there graduating from Owosso High School in June of 1948. After graduation she worked as head cashier then assistant manager of the local theater. Here is where she and Clinton first met. Lila Jean comes from a very close knit family. And being the only girl in the family loves and is loved by her brothers. They have proved to be more than just brothers-in-law to Clinton as well. Since he only had one brother he has appreciated having Lila's brothers as his brothers too!

Lila says: "my married life has been very fulfilling; married to one 'super guy'. We have had 28 years of rich and rewarding love and the sharing of sorrows. Our children have been a source of strength and love as well as my husband. My life has been and is full."

After graduation Clinton continued to work on the farm with his father until 1950. At that time he went to work at the Fisher Body, Plant One, Flint. In 1953 he was transferred to their plant in Grand Blanc where he has worked continuously ever since. He works in Tool and Die; he is a Keller Operator. They have lived in the Owosso area all of their married life. In 1968 they built a lovely 4 bedroom home in North Owosso.

Clinton enjoys fishing, small game hunting as well as deer hunting. One of his prize possessions is his father's shot gun; which Dad gave to him a few years ago. He has coached Little League baseball and was Cub Master for the Boy Scouts at the Washington School.

In May of 1973 he lost his index finger, on his right hand, in a farm accident on his son-in-law's farm. He was laid-up for six weeks but has adjusted beautifully.

As a child Clinton escaped all the childhood diseases. When we other children were sick with them he insisted that he wasn't going to catch what ever we had at the time; and he didn't. That is until he was a Freshman in High School at Morrice. He

seemed to catch them all then and didn't think it was 'funny' at all. After his sister Edith, died Clinton acquired an imaginary play mate and would play by the hour carrying on a double conversation with his 'friend.' He also had a collie dog named "Pal" he loved very much.

He remembers how hard our Uncle Sam Ostrander could pinch with his fingers; his thumb was missing. Also the beautiful bread our Aunt Elsie Furnish made. And then he was the first one to take Lila to a farm. She was a city, born and bred, gal and didn't know much about animals or farm life. So Clinton had a lot of questions to answer!!!

They are the parents of six children: Regenia Marie, Charlotte Ann, Denise Violia, Keith Michael, Jeri Lynn, and Joseph Clinton Furnish.

5) Regenia Marie Furnish
b. 21 June 1949 Owosso, Mich.
m. 4 Nov. 1967 Owosso, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: Homemaker/Bank Teller

m. Michael Robert Soich
b. 25 Oct. 1947 Owosso, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Baptist
occupation: Line Repairman
son of: Michael & Roberta Jean (Elliott) Soich

Regenia Furnish was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan at 1:30 P. M. She weighed 6 lbs. 4 oz. She was delivered by Dr. Walter Merz, M. D.

She attended the Washington School, (K-7); Owosso Jr. High, (8); and Owosso High School, (9-12) graduating in 1967. She was in the school band, (4-120) playing Bells and Flute. She played the Flute three years in High School; was Majorette 1966 and 67; in the Sr. Play; on the Prom committee both her Jr. and Sr. years.

She likes to bowl; do decoupage and refinish antique furniture. She belongs to the Michigan Child Study Club and the Beta Sigma Fi Sorority. She was on the Sorority Queen's Court twice; danced for Sally Sue Gale for 8 years; was in the Galettes; was a twirlette for four years. An apt student, interested in art and does beautiful work. She was Crown Princess in the seventh grade. She is plagued with asthma.

After graduation she worked at Montgomery Wards in Owosso. She and Michael Soich were married in St. Joseph Catholic Church in Owosso. They were married by the Reverend Father Ronald Locher. Regenia's attendents wore red velvet. Her sister Charlotte served as one of her bridesmaids.

Michael was born in Memorial Hospital also. He weighed 6 lbs. 2½ oz. and was delivered by Dr. Chipman, M. D.

He attended school at the Bryant, (K-1); Hintz, (2-8); Owosso High School, (9-12) graduating in 1965. Mike played the Coronet one year in the school band; ran Cross Country two years; attended Flint Jr. College 1½ years. He likes to bowl, hunt, fish, and this past summer took up golf.

In 1975 they built a new 'barn style" home on Cronk road and have become interested in snowmobiling and sking.

Regenia and Michael are the parents of two children: Michael Vincent and Alicia Marie Soich.

6) Michael Vincent Soich m.
b. 1 May 1968 Owosso, Michigan b.
m. d
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: occupation:
occupatient: Student grade 3 (1976-77)

Michael Soich was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. He weighed 7 lbs. 4 oz and was delivered by Dr. James Graves, M. D.

He has attended Lincoln School, (K-3); likes to put models together; is learning to swim and doing well. He is a happy boy with a ready smile and is affectionate and is especially fond of his great-grandpa Furnish and likes to stay with him. He likes his mother and thinks she is pretty special. He says she is "pretty and a really good cook." Mike too has an allergy problem.

6) Alicia Marie Soich m.
b. 14 Aug. 1971 Owosso, Michigan b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: occupation:
occupation: Student grade 1 (1976-77) son of:

Alicia Soich was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. She weighed 6 lbs. 12 oz. and was delivered by Dr. Robert Roty, M. D.

Alicia attended Roosevelt School, (K) and now is at Lincoln. She enjoys imitating her brother Michael; she swims "like a fish". Her great-grandpa Furnish nicknamed her "Peanuts." She likes to be outside and loves animals. She has natural curly hair; also an allergy problem.

5) Charlotte Ann Furnish
b. 5 June 1950 Owosso, Michigan
m. 28 Sept. 1968 Owosso, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: Homemaker

m. Jerry Lynn Drury
b. 19 Sept. 1947 Owosso, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Farmer
son of: Leroy & Marie (Ruess) Drury, Jr.

Charlotte Furnish was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan at 1:45 P. M. She weighed 7 lbs. at birth and was delivered by Dr. Walter Merz, M. D.

She attended the Washington School, (K-6); Owosso Jr. High, (7-8); and Owosso High (9-12) graduating in 1968. In the school band she played the Trumpet, (4-6) and the French Horn, (7-12). She was lead Majorette for the years 1967 and 1968; was in both the Jr. and Sr. school plays having a lead roll in both. She danced with the Galettes and was a Twirlette. She belonged to G. A. A.; played basketball and bowled.

Charlotte is a tall natural blonde. She and Jerry Drury were married on Saturday at noon in St. Joseph Catholic Church, Owosso, by the Reverend Father Ronald Loeher. Her sister, Regenia Soich, was her maid of honor. James Drury brother of the groom was best man. A reception for them was held in the Corunna VFW Hall for 500 guests before they left on a wedding trip to the Upper Peninsula and Wisconsin.

Jerry was born in Memorial Hospital also. He weighed 9 lbs. 2 oz. He was delivered by Dr. McKnight, M. D.

Jerry attended Bennington No 1 School, (K-6); Emerson, (7-8) and Owosso High School (9-12). He attended Michigan State University, School of Agriculture, graduating in the spring of 1967. In high school he was a member of F. F. A.

After graduation Charlotte was employed at the Owosso Argus-Press as perforator operator and make up page. Since marriage she has been a busy homemaker on their 280 acre farm and their dairy herd of 175 head. They work the farm with his parents.

Charlotte and Jerry were chosen as Farm Bureau's outstanding young dairy couple of District 6 in 1974. They were given a trip to Detroit and Canada. Charlotte was chosen Shiawassee County Farm Bureau Queen for 1974-75.

They are the parents of three children: Billie Lyn, Brian Franklin and Amy Elizabeth Drury.

6) Billie Lyn Drury
b. 3 July 1970 Owosso, Michigan
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Student grade 1 (1976-77

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Billie Drury was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso at 12:16 A. M. She weighed 7 lbs. 5 oz. She was delivered by Dr. John Hannah, M. D.

She started school at Bryant School and is in the first grade. She enjoys reading and pretending that she is the teacher. She loves to sing.

6) Brian Franklin Drury
b. 25 Mar. 1973 Owosso, Michigan
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Brian Drury was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. He was born at 11:04 A. M and weighed 8 lbs. 8 oz. and was delivered by Dr. Robert Roty, M. D. He enjoys playing with his farm toys and likes to ride on the tractor with Dad. He is a farmer all the way.

6) Amy Elizabeth Drury
b. 19 Feb. 1976 Owosso, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Amy Drury was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso. She was born at 7:10 .M. and weighed 8 lbs. 12½ oz. She was delivered by Dr. Robert Roty, M. D. Amy is a very active baby at this writing, (1976) crawling everywhere.

5) Denise Violia Furnish
b. 30 Jan. 1953 Owosso, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: Clerk

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Denise Furnish was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan at 8: P. M. She weighed 8 lbs. 3 oz. And was delivered by Dr. James Graves, M. D.
She attended the Washington School, (K-7); Owosso Jr. High, (8); and Owosso High

(9-12) graduating in 1971. She played Bass Alto Clairnet and Oboe in the school band. She danced with Sally Sue Gale and loved ballett and gymnastics. She took art in high school and is good at it. She attended Central Michigan University for one year. She likes to refinish furniture, crochet, swim , bowl and ride bicycle. She collects recipes.
She has one daughter, Kelley Renee'.

6) Kelley Renee'
b. 23 Apr. 1973 Owosso, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Kelley was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, at 8:25 A. M. She weighed 6 lbs. 13 oz. and was delivered by Dr. Robert Roty, M. D. She was born with a congenital hip. She is fine now. She is very active little girl with big beautiful eyes and natural curly hair. She loves her Grandpa!

5) Keith Michael Furnish
b. 3 Mar. 1954 Owosso, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: Plant Foreman

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Keith Furnish was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, at 5:50 P. M. He weighed 7 lbs. 14 oz. and was delivered by Dr. Walter Merz, M. D.

He attended Washington School (K-6); Owosso Jr. High (7-8) and Owosso High School (9-12) graduating in June 1972. He started playing drums at age five and played them through school in the school band.

After graduation he enlisted in the U. S. Navy and was stationed at Andrews Air Force Base in Washington, D. C. He took his training in Memphis and was honor man of his class. He was stationed at Andrews Air Force Base until his discharge, 29 December 1974, with aA D R (Viet Nom Machinest Rate.) He flew as first mechanic on the planes.

Since his discharge he has been working at the Lennon Mfg. Co. as plant foreman. He enjoys hunting and fishing and watching football and baseball on T. V. He also enjoys working on cars and bowling. He has several trophys from school days and now as an adult. He bowled his first 250 when he was fifteen.

5) Jeri Lynn Furnish m.
b. 20 Feb. 1956 Owosso, Michigan b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: Roman Catholic son of:

Jeri Lynn Furnish was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan at 7:48 A. M. She weighed 7 lbs. 7¼ oz. and was delivered by Dr. Walter Merz, M. D.

She attended Washington School, (K-6); Owosso Jr. High, (7-8); and Owosso High School, (9-12 graduating from there in June 1974. She played Alto Clarinet in the school band during Jr. High and High School. She was active in G. A. A.

Her hobbies are traveling and music, bowling, swimming and fishing. She also danced and twirled Baton and was a Majorette in Jr. High (7-8).

Jeri Lynn was in an automobile accident shortly after graduation when a car pulled out in front of her on West M-52. She sustained a fractured femur of the right leg and was hospitalized for three months in traction then was transferred to Sparrow Hospital, Lansing, for surgery and was released with a pin in her hip. The pin was removed the winter of 1975. Her Pinto was totaled. She works as a clerk in Stone's Drug Store, Owosso.

5) Joseph Clinton Furnish m.
b. 19 Dec. 1959 Owosso, Mich. b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: Roman Catholic occupation:
occupation: Student grade 11 (1976-77) son of:

Joseph Furnish was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan at 10:13 A. M. he weighed 9 lbs. 1 oz. and was delivered by Dr. Peter Souer, M. D.

He attended Washington School, (K-2); Goss, (3-4); Green Meadows, (5-6); Owosso Jr. High, (7-8) and is in the 11th grade at Owosso High School.

Joe ~~Keith~~ enjoys sports, swimming, hunting, fishing, bowling and bicycling as well as table games. He runs Cross Country and likes to 'tinker' with cars.

4) Genevieve Gaytha Furnish
b. 14 Dec. 1933 Shiawassee Co., Mi.
m. 21 Jan. 1955 Middlebury Twp. Mi.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Free Methodist/Methodist
occupation: Homemaker/Bookkeeper

m. Abe Eldridge
b. 10 Oct. 1932 Owosso, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Free Methodist
occupation: Furniture Repair
son of: Allen Franklin & Celia Mae (Howard) Eldridge

Genevieve was born at home in Shiawassee Twp. on a farm S. E. of Corunna known as the Wallace Moore farm. It was located at Garrison and Scribner roads. She was delivered by William F. Weinkauf, M. D. of Corunna. When less than two years of age she moved with her family to a farm near Morrice, Antrim Twp., known as the Gallagher farm.

She started school at the Beard attending K-3 grades there. On June 1, 1943 a tornado swept through this area, demolishing the Beard School as well as miles of buildings, trees and what ever was in its path. Only the back porch was ripped off her parents home but most of the apple trees in the orchard were uprooted. That fall the children were bused into Morrice where Genevieve attended grades 4-6.

In March of 1945 she moved with her parents to the Claude Shufelt farm near Ovid, where she attended the Sherman School 7-8. In March of 1950 her parents bought a neighboring farm on the Baldwin road hear Hibbard road in Middlebury Twp., Shiawassee Co. Here she attended Ovid High School, 9-12, graduating on Thursday evening at eight o'clock on June 7, 1951.

She then went to work in Owosso at Butler Clothiers but only worked for three weeks when she went to work at Mulhall & Erb Lumber as a bookkeeper. She worked there for five years.

While working at Mulhall & Erb she met Abe Eldridge. January of 1955 they were married in the Middlebury Methodist Church. The Reverend Robert Duff officiated at the candlelight ceremony. Her sister, Jane Stebbins, was her matron of honor and Alfred Eldridge, brother of the groom was best man. A reception was held in the undercroft of the church.

That October their first daughter, Pamela Jo, was born. Then Genevieve went to work for Central Telephone Co. (now General) in Owosso. She worked here for one year and then gave birth to her second daughter, Vickie Sue, in June 1957. She next went to work at Mulhull & Erb in Corunna and worked until 1966 when they closed out the company. She worked for Owosso Building Supplys for seven months then went to work at S. & W. Equipment, Case and Massey Ferguson, where she has worked for the last eight years.

Abe was born in Owosso, Michigan on Mason Street. He attended the Emerson School, (K-3); Eveleth in Corunna, (4-5); Wilkenson, in the country, (6-8) and Owosso High School (9-10).

He enlisted in the U. S. Army Jan. 8, 1951. He enlisted for two years. His service record reads:

> Army - Basic, Ft. Knox, action - Korea Service No. R A 16 401438 Rate - Cpl. (Y) 25 Sept. 1953 Class RAQMC effective date of seperation 11 Dec. 1953 Type of separation - Released from active military service. Place of separation - Fort Sheridan, Ill. Born 10 Oct. 1932 Owosso enlisted for 2 years. Decorations, National Defence Service Medal, Korean Service Ribbon, United Nations Service Medal and 3 Bronze Service Stars. Most significant duty assignment -

110th Quartermaster Battery Co. Service School (May/July 1952)
Food Service School 16 weeks. Baking.

After Abe's discharge he went to work for Mulhall & Erb Lumber Co., in Owosso. He worked there from April 1954 to July 1955 then went to the Austin Co. and then to Olds where he worked from November until April. He at that time went back to Mulhall & Erb and stayed until they closed out the business in 1966. He then went to work as a truck driver for Robbins Furniture Co. in Owosso. For the last two years he has worked in the store on furniture repair.

They have lived in the Owosso, Corunna area all of their married life. And presently own a lovely home off Corunna Avenue between Corunna and Owosso. The back of their property borders on the Shiawassee River. The river has quite a bit of activity; ducks and other wildlife as well as canoe and row boat activity when the weather permitts. Genevieve and Abe have a camper they especially enjoy fishing trips.

Genevieve is too busy trying to keep up a house besides working full time to pursue many hobbies, however she loves flowers and enjoys working in her flower garden even after a busy day. She also has many house plants, she seems to have a 'green thumb'.

On 20 June, 1975 Genevieve was hospitalized at Memorial Hospital in Owosso with a coronary. Other than that she has enjoyed good health for the most part.

Her father, Clyde Furnish, has made his home with her since the winter of 1972. He and Genevieve were Baptized at the same time, 14 April 1946, in the Middlebury Methodist Church. And so they along with Genevieve's mother, Violia, joined the church together. It is at this church that a celebration in his honor was held to help him celebrate his 90th Birthday. He was 90 on the 23rd of November the celebration was held on Saturday the 27th. 1976.

Genevieve and Abe are the parents of four daughters: Pamelo Jo, Vickie Sue, Marianne and Karen Lee Eldridge.

5) Pamela Jo Eldridge
b. 22 Oct. 1955 Owosso, Mich.
m. 29 June 1974 Owosso, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Church of Christ
occupation: Clerk/Homemaker

m. Harry Clay Burdick III
b. 18 July 1952 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Church of Christ
occupation: Mechanic
son of: Harry Clay & Virginia Betty (Ashmun) Burdick II

Pamela Eldridge was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. She weighed 6 lbs. 14¼ oz. and was 20 in. long at birth. She was delivered by Dr. McKnight, M. D. She attended Lincoln School, (K-5)1 Elsa Meyer, (6) the Old Corunna High School, (7-8); and graduated from the new Corunna High School in June 1974.

Pam and Harry Burdick were married on Saturday, the 29th of June 1974 in the St. Johns United Church of Christ on North Washington St., in Owosso, Michigan. They were married by the Reverend Norman Kirsh.

Harry moved with his parents from Ft. Wayne, Indiana to Michigan in 19 . He is the only son in the middle of a family of girls literally. He has three sisters older than he and three sisters younger. He graduated from Owosso High School in 1970. He is a mechanic at Harrelson Chevrolet Sales & Service in Owosso where they reside.

Pam is an avid reader. She likes doing ceramics but loves children and prefers baby sitting in her home for working mothers. She did work at K-Mart.

6) Abe Allen Burdick
b. 29 Dec. 1977

5) Vickie Sue Eldridge
b. 2 June 1957 Owosso, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Factory

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Vickie Eldridge was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. She was born on Sunday P. M. and weighed 7 lbs. 14 oz. and was 20½ in long. She was delivered by Dr. E. R. McKnight, M. D. of Owosso.

She has always lived in the Owosso, Corunna area. She attended Lincoln School, (K-4); Louise Peacock,(5); Elsa Meyer, (6); the Old Corunna High School, (7-8) and the New Corunna High School, (9-12) graduating in June of 1975.

In high school she was in the Senior Play, she took Practical Arts and was on the Newspaper staff 4 yrs. She belonged to G. A. A. 4 years; Pep-club her Senior year. She was in the Swim Show 4 years; Sophomore Carnival; the Junior & Senior Banquet committee as well as the Prom committee her Junior and Senior years.

She is employed at the Strawsine Manufacturing Company in Corunna. They make Camper Mobile Home Equipment.

She has one son, Corey Jay. He was born in Memorial Hospital on Sunday at 10:41 P. M. 6 June 1976. He weighed 7 lbs. 11 oz. and was 20 in. long.

6) Corey Jay
b. 6 June 1976 Owosso, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Marianne Eldridge m.

b. 5 Sept. 1961 Owosso, Mich.	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church: Free Methodist	occupation:
occupation: Student Grade 10 (1976-77)	son of:

Marianne Eldridge was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. She was born on Tuesday at 10 p. m. She weighed 7 lbs. 1 oz. and was 20 in. long. She was delivered by Dr. Walter Buzzard, M. D.

She attended Lincoln School in Owosso, (K); Elsa Meyer, (1-3); Louise Peacock, (4-6); Old Corunna High School, (7-9) and now is in the 10th grade in the new Corunna High School.

Marianne is good with her hands. She likes doing crafts, sewing and cooking. She also writes short stories and editorials. She enjoys swimming and is an avid reader. She was in 4-H Club for three years and now G. A. A. She took drafting her Freshman year and now is taking Auto Mechanics and hopes to continue with it through her Senior year.

5)Karen Lee Eldridge m.

b. 17 Nov. 1962 Owosso, Mich.	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church: Free Methodist	occupation:
occupation: Student grade 8 (1976-77	son of:

Karen Eldridge was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso. She was born on Saturday and weighed 8 lbs. 9 oz. She was delivered by Dr. Walter Buzzard, M. D.

She attended Elsa Meyer School, (K-3); Louise Peacock, (4) and Elsa Meyer again, (5-6) and Old Corunna High, (7-8).

Karen was born a "blue baby" (a baby born of a very blue color due to mixture of the venous and arterial blood through a defect in the heart). She had an opening in the wall of the septem and had open heart surgery at the Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, Michigan on 22 August 1969. The Surgery was performed by Dr. Arterio Arsenagis, M. D. She had a rapid recovery with her complexion changing from blue to pink immediately. She now is a very active child.

Karen has been in 4-H work for four years.

EFFIE MILLICENT FURNISH

3) Effie Millicent Furnish
b. 6 Dec. 1888 Clinton Co., Mich.
m. 2 Oct. 1909 Owosso, Mich.
d. 14 July 1935 Owosso, Mich.
cause: Stomach Cancer
burial: Sowles Cem., Maple Rapids, Mi.
church: Christian
occupation: Homemaker

m. Frank I. Malkin
b. 18 Feb. 1890 Saginaw Co., Mich.
d. 18 Oct. 1970 Bradenton, Fla.
cause: Stroke
burial: Fremont Cem., Bancroft, Mich.
church: United Methodist
occupation: Farmer/Factory/Gas Station
son of: Thomas Henry & Permilla (Ecker) Malkin

Effie Millicent Furnish was born in Essex Twp., Clinton Co., Michigan. She was born on the George Fox farm, 2 miles east of Maple Rapids on the Maple Rapids road, and across the road from where her grandparents, Amos and Cynthia (Van Housen) Sawyer lived on the Will Sickles farm. She was the only daughter of William H. and Ada E. (Sawyer) Furnish. Will had another daughter, Adella, by his first wife Eva (Watson). Effie had two brothers, Clyde and Earl.

She attended school at the Parker School, Bingham Twp., except for one year when she and her brothers attended the Rowell School in Duplain Twp., since it was one mile from their home and the Parkers School was a mile and a half; and besides it being closer to the school they could ride with their father on his way to "run his mail route." Each week-day morning he went in to Rochester Colony and picked up the mail and then went to Shepherdsville and picked up the mail and the small freight and delivered it enroute back to Rochester Colony, as well as "the Colony" then continued his delivery on the way home, delivering down the side roads as well.

The children were only allowed to attend the Rowell School for one year, as their enrollment had increased, and the teacher didn't want the extra burden of children outside her own district.

Effie was sixteen years of age when her father died, 19 January 1904. After his death her mother sold the little home in Bingham Twp., and bought another small house in Maple Rapids, and they moved into town. Here Effie attended High school through the 10th grade. She then went to work away from home, doing house work, for two and three dollars a week and her room and board. It was while working away from home that she met and married Frank Malkin secretly as her half-sister, Adella, wrote to her mother:

> "February 16, 1910 - I don't think it was nice of Effie to get married and not say a word to you about it, I hope they will get along nice." Adella

Adella had been trying to persuade her to finish her schooling, and come to Tri-State Normal in Angola, Indiana, and get a teaching certificate, so needless to say she was disappointed.

Effie and Frank were married in Owosso, 2 October 1909. Effie was 21 and Frank slightly younger was 19. She sometimes now signed her name Effa.

Frank was born in Brant, Michigan, Saginaw county. He was the son of Thomas Henry and Permilla (Ecker) Malkin, and one of a family of four boys. His brother's names were Harold, William and George.

Frank and Effie lived on rented farms, working them on shares, all of their married life together, living in the Ovid, Carland, Owosso, Bancroft and Newburg areas; all in Shiawassee County.

Effie died at Memorial Hospital in Owosso, Sunday at 10:30 p. m., 14 July 1935

after a several weeks' illness with stomach cancer. Her funeral was held at the Abbott Funeral Home in Maple Rapids, with the pastor of the Maple Rapids Methodist church officiating. Interment was in the Sowles Cemetery, Maple Rapids, Michigan.

To this union three daughters and one son were born: Geraldine Pearl, Josephine Adella, Marcia Annette and Harold Robert Malkin.

Frank remarried; first to Julia Seleska which ended in divorce and then on 17 September 1946 to Eunice Frye. They were married in Chesaning.

Frank farmed most of his life. He worked a few years at the Kaiser-Fraiser plant in Ypsilanti, as a sweeper, during World War II. He worked in a gas station in Perry for a while and later managed stations in both Ashley and Perry.

At the time of his death he was living in Ellenton, Florida. He died on Sunday, 18 October 1970, of a stroke, at Manistee Memorial Hospital in Bradenton, Florida, after being ill for four weeks. His funeral was held at the Jennings-Lyons Chapel in Owosso on Wednesday at 1 p. m. with the Reverend Thomas E. Dunn officiating. He was buried in the Fremont Cemetery, near Bancroft, where his widow plans to be buried even though there was a grave space reserved beside his first wife, Effie, in the Maple Rapids Cemetery. Effie is buried in the same plot with cousins, Bertha and Floyd Hewitt.

Effie (Furnish) Malkin

4) Geraldine Pearl Malkin
b. 9 July 1915 Newburg, Mich.
m. 1 Apr. 1934 Vernon, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Nazarene
occupation: Homemaker/Factory Hospital Housekeeping

m. Silven Eugene Vincent
b. 23 May 1908 Vernon, Mich.
d. 12 Aug. 1975 Lansing, Mich.
cause: Aneurysm/Shock
burial: Hillcrest Mem. Gardens, Owosso
church: Nazarene
occupation: Farmer
son of: Eugene & Martha May (Sharp) Vincent

Geraldine Malkin was born at Newburg, Shiawassee Co., Michigan. She attended the Raleigh, Octogan and Carland country schools, graduating from the 8th grade at Carland. She spent most of her childhood helping her father with the farm work.

While attending a birthday party, in July 1933, she met Silven Vincent. They were married the following April, by the Reverend Frank Purdy, pastor of the Vernon Methodist Church. They were married in the parsonage. It was a beautiful day, and Mrs. Vincent prepared a lovely family dinner. She was a great cook, as the mother of one daughter and five sons might very well be.

Shortly after they were married they rented a farm near Bancroft, and finally after renting four other farms, all in Bennington township, they purchased a farm of their own on 1 March 1949, at Bennington Rd. and Cook Rd., Bennington Twp., Shiawassee Co. It consisted of 180 acres. They did general farming.

Geraldine always worked like a hired man, and the first four farms they rented they used horses to do all the farm work. The first farm they were on had a "sugar bush" on it, and they used "ole Maude" hitched to a stone boat to haul the barrels of sap to the boiler. This was all done the hard way, and the final boiling down was done at the house where Geraldine added milk to it, to purify it, and when it was strained it would be as clear as could be.

On their second farm she milked their thirteen cows all by herself, during thrashing season, as Silven was thrashing for the neighbors.

Their third farm had no electricity or water in the house. Here all the water had to be pumped by hand, for the stock as well as the house, and had to be carried into the house, and back out. Kerosene lamps and lanterns had to be filled, the wicks trimmed, and the chimneys cleaned. The wood had to be cut and carried in.

One, never to be forgotten, episode that happened on this third rented farm she tells like this:

> "One day when I was working a four horse team, the flies were bad, and the right hand horse was fighting the flies and threw her check strap up over her hame which in turn turned her to the right and the rest of the horses had to follow. Finally the line tightened so tight that the first horse to the right layed down and then the second. Fanny the third horse was turned around so that she was facing me with one foot resting on the pivot of the disk of the horse that was down. If she had moved her foot and set it down it would have gone into the sheath of the horse beneath her.
>
> I talked to her and coaxed her to keep it up for what seemed to be hours. Finally the fourth horse on the left was pulled down, and there I was with three horses down the fourth knowing she had to stand on three feet with one front foot in the air, and they were all hooked to a double disk.
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> I kept yelling to the top of my voice, with no one hearing me. Silven and his brother had taken a load of hogs to Owosso, to the Live Stock Yards, and I was all alone.

When Silven and his brother returned home, and saw the predicament I was in they flew out to where I was. And strange as it may seem, that is the end of the story as far as I know, as I do not remember another thing."

The men, however, were able to release the horses and they were okay I was later told..."

Shortly after their only daughter, Lois, was killed as the result of a farm accident, Geraldine went to work for the American Record Pressing Co., in Owosso. She worked there for eighteen years. First she worked at pressing records, then in the Print Shop, and finally was working in Returns when the factory burned 28 October 1972. The following July she went to work at Memorial Hospital in Owosso, in the housekeeping department, she takes care of the Emergency area.

Geraldine has belonged to the Maple River Circle of Kings Daughters & Sons for the past 30 years, and has served the Circle as Secretary, Treasure and President. She and Silven were both members of the Perry, Church of the Nazarene, and proud of the lovely new church their congregation had built and were able to move into, 28 March 1974. She likes to travel and hopes to do more after she retires. She enjoys people and working with them.

Silven was born near Vernon, Michigan. He attended school at Milford and Freemont, a hamlet near Bancroft. He farmed all his life, and was very much a home-body. He loved his only grandchild, Phillip, very much, they were very close.

He died, 12 August 1975, in in the Edward W. Sparrow Hospital, in Lansing, as the result of dissecting aneurysm and finally shock. His Funeral was at 11:00 a. m. Friday at the First Church of the Nazarene, Perry Michigan. The Reverend George Harris officiated. His Text was, Psalm 120:1 "In my distress I cried unto the Lord and he heard me." Mrs Wesley Tressler, from Owosso, sang "Beyond the Sunset," and "If You Go First." Interment was at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, Owosso, Michigan.

Saturday, 3 April 1976, 12:30 p. m. Geraldine had an Auction, selling off the farm machinery and some of the household items. She also has the farm up for sale. Some years ago they had sold all but 90 acres, now she hopes to keep 10 acres, and build her a small home, where she will be near her son Melvin and his wife Mary and her only grandchild Phillip.

Geraldine and Silven were the parents of two children, Melvin Silven, and Lois Geraldine Vincent. LATE NOTE: Geraldine had a new home built on 10 acres and moved into it 1 Sept. 1976, 350 W. Bennington Rd.

5) Melvin Silven Vincent
b. 14 July 1942 Owosso, Mich.
m. 23 Mar. 1963 Owosso, Mich.
d.
cause:
bueual:
church: Free Methodist
occupation: Mortician's Assisstant

m. Mary Iona Kidd
b. 6 Mar. 1940 Quinton, Ky.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Free Methodist
occupation: Homemaker/Floral arranger/ Nurse Tech.
dau. of: Jesse & Deloras (Dodson) Kidd

Melvin Vincent was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. He attended school at the Octogan country school, and Owosso Academy. He was named valadictorian of the senior class of 1960. His grade point average was 3.61. He was active in the Crusaders sports teams, and held various class offices.

Melvin attended Owosso Bible College, and quit with less than half a semester from graduating.

He met Mary Kidd while they both were in college. They were married, 23 March 1963, by Dr. Floyd McCallum, assisted by the Reverends M. L. Goodman and G. E. Stace, in the Pilgrim Holiness Church in Owosso.

Melvin worked as a Mortician Assistant while attending college. After he was married he went to work for the Redmond Co., in Owosso, and in a short while they moved the factory out of town. The next day he went to work for the Mitchell-Bently Corp., and in a short while it too moved out of Owosso. The next day he went back to work as a Mortician Assistant at the Jennings-Lyons Funeral Chapel. He likes his work very much and expects to stay there.

A family story handed down about Melvin, as told by his mother, goes like this:

> "On the fourth farm we had rented, and the place we lived when Melvin was born, was a large farm with 200 acres. There was a tenant house on this farm, and one day Silven went up to the tenant house to mow down the tall grass around the house with a mowing machine and a team of horses, one of which was a young stallion we called "Pal."
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> "Unknown to me, Melvin, a toddler, had slipped out and taken off up the road to the house, and his father hadn't noticed him either. But Pal had and he wasn't about to pull that mower no matter what Silven said. So Silven got off the mower seat, and was going to try and convince Pal that he had to help the other horse pull that mower, when Melvin walked out of the tall grass and right up to the cutting bar with a big "Hi" for his daddy. His father nearly fainted, and after he got ahold of himself, Pal got some extra petting and loving, and he acted just as to say, "I knew what I was doing."

Mary Kidd was born in Kentucky, but was living in Cincinati, Ohio, at the time she came to Owosso Bible College. She has worked as a Floral Designer for two of the local florists. In 1973 she went to work at Memorial Hospital where she was trained as a Nurse Technician. She worked in I. C. U. for two years, but now is doing floor duty.

Melvin and Mary are the parents of one son, Phillip Todd Vincent.

6) Phillip Todd Vincent
b. 1 May 1964 Owosso, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: sixth grade 1975-6

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Phillip was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. He is a sixth grader in the Morrice School. He plays trombone, first chair.

He has a Brown Swiss heifer that his Grandpa Vincent gave him for his 11th birthday. He entered her in the Shiawassee County Fair 4-H in August 1975. And there he took all Blue Ribbons on her plus a Purple one. He was supposed to take her to Lansing to the State Show, but his grandpa died suddenly on the 12th of August, and he wasn't able to go. He and his grandpa were very close.

5) Lois Geraldine Vincent
b. 17 Mar. 1949 Owosso, Mich.
d. 24 Apr. 1954 Bennington Twp., Mich.
cause: Tractor accident
burial: Hillcrest Mem. Gardens, Owosso, Mich.

Lois Vincent was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. She was a healthy little girl and loved the out-of-doors. She and her brother, Melvin, were inseparable. She was looking forward to entering the Octogan School in the fall where her brother attended. And then what had been a fun day turned into a real heartache.

It seemes, Melvin age eleven was driving a Co-op. F-3 farm tractor, which he often did, and Lois was riding in a little red play wagon attached to the rear drawbar of the tractor. They had made several trips west of their home, up and down the road, hauling stones, and this trip was to be their last before coming in for the evening, when the accident happened.

At the point of the accident, there was a sluiceway under the highway and a catch basin on the north side of the road. This left a hole about five feet deep at that point. Fresh rain on the dirt road had caused the shoulders to be soft. Melvin said "a hole in the road caused him to go into the ditch and the tractor turned over." Both children were pinned under the tractor. Melvin had called to Lois to go for help not realizing she was pinned face downward . The tire bearing weight across the back of her shoulders and neck, prevented her from breathing, and help arrived too late. When the tractor lunged sideways and overturned, Lois was thrown underneath its wheel.

The accident happened at 6:45 p. m. on the Bennington road, between Morrice Rd. and Cook Rd. on Saturday evening.

Her Funeral service was held at the Jennings-Lyons Chapel, Owosso, Michigan on Tuesday at 2 p. m. The Reverend Kenneth Harris, of Manchester, Ohio, officiated. Burial was in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, Owosso.

4) Josephine Adella Malkin
b. 31 Jan. 1917 Bancroft, Mich.
m. 8 Aug. 1935
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker

1. m. Rolland Brown
b. 28 June 1919 Owosso, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Truck Driver
son of: June & Mary (Holbridge) Brown

Josephine Adella Malkin was born at 12:00 o'clock mid-night, and so the doctor told her mother she could choose which date she wanted for her birth date, January 31st or February 1st. Her mother choose the 31st, but the doctor made an error, as her Birth Certificate came with January 30th, however she has always celebrated her birthday on the 31st. She was born at home, at that time her parents lived near Bancroft on E. Exchange road, she is the second oldest daughter of Frank and Effie (Furnish) Malkin. She attended five different country schools: Octogan No. 8, Ovid, Laingsburg, Carland&Newburg. She graduated from the eighth grade from Newburg.

Rawley.

Besides moving a lot, as a child, she remembers attending her first movie. She and the other children had worked hard shelling pop corn one night so her father could sell it, and as a reward he took them to the Strand Theater where they saw a silent movie about a big collie dog. They had to read what was being said from below the picture. She thinks she was about eight years of age. And another time he took them to the Ionia Free Fair. Mostly their fun time was centered around life on the farm, and picnic dinners when her folks went fishing or huckleberrying, and the occasional Sunday dinner with company. She remembers that some of the relatives were especially fond of her mother's whipped-cream cake, and that her mother always put the cake on one special plate, and now she has that plate and treasures it. It always brings back happy memories each time she looks at it. Whipped cream was quite a treat and she remembers she and her youngest sister skimming the cream off the top of the milk can, and whipping it, adding some sugar and vanilla and eating it before their folks had gotten up.

Josephine also remembers as a small child they had a rooster that liked to chase her. Everytime she went out to feed the chickens or even to play, there he was just outside the door waiting for her. He had long spurs and she was afraid of him, so one day her mother decided enough was enough, and he ended up on the Sunday dinner table.

After finishing school, Josephine worked out doing house work. It was while working near Bancroft that she met and later married Rolland Brown. After four and one half years this marriage ended in divorce.

To this union two daughters were born, Lela Irene, who only lived one week, and Betty Lou Brown.

5) Betty Lou Brown
b. 8 Oct. 1937 Detroit, Michigan
m. 9 May 1959 Mikado, Michigan
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Latter Day Saint
occupation: Homemaker

m. Dallas Clayton Harmon
b. 25 Aug. 1937 Mikado, Michigan
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Latter Day Saint
occupation: Forestry Inspector/Truck Driver
son of: Clayton & Bertha (McGuire) Harmon

Betty Lou Brown was born in Grace Hospital, Detroit, Michigan. She attended school in Owosso, first at the South Washington, and then when it was abandoned she attended the Lincoln School. Then her family moved near Morrice and she attended school there graduating in June 1955. She attended the Methodist church in Morrice and sang in the choir also. After graduation she worked in the Montgomery Ward store in Owosso for a while then went to work at the Mitchell-Bentley factory also in Owosso. After a short while she was laid off, so she then went to Barton City to stay with her grandmother Brown. It was while she was staying with her that she met Dallas Harmon at Jewel Lake.

Dallas attended a country school near Mikado, and high school in Lincoln, Michigan, he dropped out in the 10th grade, but started night school in 1968 and earned his credits for his high school diploma. He graduated in May 1969 from Lincoln High School.

Betty Lou and Dallas were married in the Barton City Latter Day Saints Church by Dallas' grandfather, Elder Squire, 9 May 1959. They live in Mikado. Dallas works as an Inspector for the Forestry Dept., he drives truck,part time, for the Dept.,

To this union 3 children were born, Eileen Sue, Randy Blake, and Bruce Edward Harmon.

6) Eileen Sue Harmon
b. 14 Feb. 1960 Tawas City, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Randy Blake Harmon
b. 8 Aug. 1966 Tawas City, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Bruce Edward Harmon
b. 4 Oct. 1972 Tawas City, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

4) Josephine Adella Malkin Brown

m. 22 Feb. 1941 Henderson, Mich.

See data with 1st marriage

2. m. Floyd W. Sackner
b. 3 Nov. 1913, Durand, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Machine Operator/Inspector
son of: George W. & Nellie(Lancaster) Sackner

In January of 1940 Josephine's youngest sister, Marcia, introduced her to Floyd. Jo was working for a family in Owosso at the time. They had their first date in July. He "popped the question" one night while they were driving down M-21. His father had died in 1935, and he was caring for his mother, so many things were to be considered. But when they told his mother of their intentions she set their wedding date for them.

They were married in the parsonage of the Methodist Church, Henderson, Michigan. Their wedding trip consisted of driving to Lansing to a restaurant for supper, and spending the night in the Wentworth Hotel there. The next day they visited Floyd's youngest sister in Lowell, Michigan, and then came home to Corunna. Floyd's mother lived with them for the first two months and then went to live with her daughters, however she returned frequently and spent time with them.

Floyd worked for the Brick Plant in Corunna, (later the name was changed to the Tile Plant). So they lived in that area until they purchased their present home on M-52 on the 13th of October 1962.

In 1962 Floyd left the Tile Plant and went to work for Simplicity Engineering in Durand, where he still works, he has been promoted from lathes to drill presses and recently to inspection, and hopes to work there until he retires.

Jo and her two sisters, Geraldine and Marcia, now laugh about the time they all had the measles. It seemes Betty was coming down with them and her mother didn't know it, so they went and visited Geraldine, and her young son Melvin, Melvin started to come down with them and Geraldine wasn't aware of it, so they went and visited her sister Marcia and her young son Ted. They were all quite sick with them, Jo had to have help with her house work, but now they laugh about not "being stingy with the red measles."

Jo is a good cook, having worked out for many years. She belonged to the Samaritan Club in Owosso, a charity club, for thirty years. She likes to read mystery stories about old mansions and houses and likes to travel. They are hopeful that after Floyd's retirement they will be able to travel more.

Even though she has not attended church on a regular basis she feels it is important to believe in God and to pray. To be truthful, work and take care of yourself and keep in good health. Floyd was once a member of the Free Methodist Church in Corunna. They both like watching some of the religious programs on television each Sunday, and they especially like Oral Roberts.

To this union one daughter was born, Donna Jean Josephine Sackner.

5) Donna Jean Josephine Sackner
b. 6 May 1942 Owosso, Mich.
m. 11 Mar. 1961
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Secy./Bookkeeper/Homemaker

m. Wayne Richard Dust
b. 30 Nov. 1941 Keokuk, Iowa
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Gas Station Manager
son of: William R. & Lillian (Bailey) Dust

Donna Jean was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. She started school at the New Washington in Owosso, then her parents moved near Morrice so she finished there graduating in June 1960. She then attended Lansing Business College, and went to work for the Mead Clinic in Lansing, working for a group of doctors.

Donna met Wayne in school, they went through high school together, graduating together. The following year they eloped. They live south of Perry on the Morrice, Hazlett Rd. Wayne manages the Mobil Gas Station in Perry. When they were first married they lived at Burt Lake where Wayne worked in Construction near Indian River.

They are the parents of three thildren, Richard Wayne, Deborah Lynn and Janet Elaine Dust. 1976 Wayne began working at Motor Wheel in Lansing.

6) Richard Wayne Dust
b. 21 Sept. 1961 Cheboygan, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Deborah Lynn Dust
b. 25 Mar. 1966, Lansing, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Janet Elaine Dust
b. 27 Apr. 1967 Lansing, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

4) Marcia Annette Malkin
b. 18 Aug. 1920 Laingsburg, Mich.
m. 28 Nov. 1939 Corunna, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker

m. James Henry Balcom
b. 5 May 1914, Owosso, Mich.
d. 28 Sept. 1970 Ann Arbor, Mich.
cause: Cancer
burial: Hillcrest Mem. Gardens, Owosso
church:
occupation: Spray Painter
son of: Frank W. & Blanche(Brewbaker) Balcom

Marcia Malkin was born near Laingsburg, Michigan, Shiawassee Co. She started school at the Octogan No 8 near Laingsburg. She also attended school near Carland, Ovid, Newburg and Bennington No. 1.

Marcia and Jim Balcom were married in 1939, they had known each other nearly all their lives as they were second cousins. Marcia's grandmother, Ada(Sawyer)Furnish and Jim's grandmother, Darwinnie (Sawyer) Brewbaker, Hoerner were sisters.

Jim was born in Owosso and attended the old Washington School there. In 1927, when he was fourteen years old his folks moved near Bancroft, and he attended the Fremont School. His mother died when he was seventeen so his grandmother Hoerner came and lived with them and cared for the family, as there were six children ranging from eighteen years to five months. Blanche died from erysipelas of the face. Some years later Jim's father remarried and moved to Owosso, so Jim and Marcia moved to the farm. Jim's father died in 1963 and when his estate was settled Jim and Marcia bought out the rest of the heirs and bought his parents farm. They were remodeling it at the time of his death in 1970.

Jim worked at the Chevrolet Assembly Plant in Flint for 23 years, he was a utility man in the paint department. He was a member of the Bancroft Masonic Lodge, No. 382. He died on Monday, 28 September 1970, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor, Michigan. His funeral was conducted at the Love Funeral Home in Bancroft at 1:30 p. m. on Thursday, by the Reverend Lawrence Brooks, pastor of the United Methodist Church in Bancroft. Burial was in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, Owosso, Michigan.

To this union two sons were born, David James and Ted Rodger Balcom.

5) David James Balcom
b. 11 Jan. 1940 Owosso, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

David was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. He has been deaf from birth. He attended Haggerty School, Bancroft for a while then attended the Michigan School for the Deaf, Flint, Michigan, where he graduated 12 June 1958. He works at the General Motors Plant in Flint.

5) Ted Rodger Balcom
b. 10 June 1942 Owosso, Mich.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Die Caster

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Die Caster
dau. of:

Ted Balcom was born in Memorial Hospital, Owosso, Michigan. He attended the Haggerty School and the Fremont, both country schools, and then graduated from Durand High School in June 1961. He works as a Die Caster at Universal Electric, Owosso, Mi.

4) Harold Robert Malkin
b. 12 Sept. 1929 Carland, Mich.
m. 16 Aug. 1945 Williamston, Mich.
d. 19 Jan. 1967 Owosso, Mich.
cause: Diabetes/Coronary
burial: Webberville Cem., Webberville
church: Methodist
occupation: Farmer

m. Leta Mae Hjerpe
b. 15 Aug. 1927 Detroit, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Carl & Hildred (Baehr) Hjerpe

Harold Malkin was born near Carland, Mich. He started school at Bennington No. I. He also attended school at Perry, Ashley and Williamston. He graduated from Williamston in June 1945.

His mother died when he was nine years old. He stayed with his father on the farm for a while, and worked with him in gas stations in both Perry and Ashley. After his father quit the gas station in Ashley Harold went to live with his great-uncle and aunt, Fred and Hannah Eckers, in Williamston. It was here that he met Leta Hjerpe. They were married, 16 Aug. 1945, in the Williamston Methodist Church by the Reverend Bushong, pastor. They first lived in Williamston, then Corunna, Bancroft and Perry.

Leta well remembers the first pie she made for Harold. It was Elderberry and she didn"t put anything but the berries in it. She says, "boy was that a tart one!"

Harold and Leta had been married for 21 years when he died. He had known he had diabetes for 14 years. Death however was due to a coronary.

Leta attended school at Burgess, Detroit; Redford, Detroit and Williamston. Her father was a Detroit Policeman.

After Harold's death Leta worked as a Nurses Aide for four years. Then 22 June 1974 she married Jason Nichols. He works for Agrico, near Williamston. He was married before, but had no children, so is happy to have a family and a little granddaughter who is "the apple of his eye." They live near Haslett, Michigan.

Harold and Leta were the parents of four sons, Steven Harold, George Robert, Timothy Michael and Richard Lee Malkin.

5) Steven Harold Malkin
b. 16 Nov. 1948 Lansing, Mich.
m. 15 June 1968 Perry, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Warehouse Technician

m. Rebecca Ann Freeman
b. 17 May 1950 Owosso, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker/Bank
dau. of: Floyd & Donna (Gaffner) Freeman

Steven Malkin was born in the St. Lawrence Hospital, Lansing. He graduated from Perry High School in June of 1966. For a while he worked as a Gas Station Attendant, but presently is employed as a Warehouse Technician at Dow Cemical in Owosso, Mich. He and Rebecca Freeman were married in the Perry Congregational Church, 15 June 1968. They had their first date on 30 May 1966, and became engaged 1 Dec. 1967.

Rebecca was born in Owosso Memorial Hospital, she graduated from Perry High School June 1968. She has been employed by the American Bank & Trust since 5 April 1971.

They are the parents of one daughter, Jennifer Lynnette Malkin.

6) Jennifer Lynnette Malkin
b. 26 Aug. 1972
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Jennifer was born at 7:43 p. m.

5) George Robert Malkin
b. 9 Feb. 1951 Lansing, Mich.
m. 1 Dec. 1975 Corunna, Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation:

m. Rebecca Pendell
b. 13 Jan. 1957
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of: David Eugene & Doris Virginia (Smith) Pendell

George Malkin was born in St. Lawrence Hospital, Lansing, Mich. He graduated from Perry High School in June 1969. He enjoys sports of all kinds. He works for the Bancroft Door Co., in Morrice.

George and Rebecca Pendell were married by a Justice of the Peace in Corunna, Mich. 1 December 1975. Rebecca graduated from Perry High School 1975.

5) Timothy Michael Malkin m.

b. 24 Dec. 1953 Lansing, Michigan	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church: United Methodist	occupation: Mold Maker
occupation:	dau. of:

Tim Malkin was born in St. Lawrence Hospital, Lansing, Michigan. He graduated from Perry High School in 1972. He loves sports and evenings and week-ends you will find him in some kind of a ball game. He lives near Shaftsburg and works for Superior Brass & Aluminum.

5) Richard Lee Malkin m.

b. 20 Mar. 1956 Lansing, Mich.	b.
m.	d.
c.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church: United Methodist	occupation:
occupation: Washer Operator	dau. of:

Richard Malkin was born in St. Lawrence Hospital, Lansing, Michigan. He attend-Perry High School, but in 1971 he was stricken with a malignant tumor on the brain. But with "a marvelous surgeon and God's love he is cured today." He is very machanical and has his head under the hood of his car more than anything else in his spare time, always taking something apart and putting it back together. He works in a laundry, running the washers, in a nursing home. He is taking night courses to get his high school diploma.

EARL ALGER FURNISH

3) Earl Alger Furnish
b. 6 June 1892 Clinton Co., Mich.
m. 24 Jan. 1924 Lansing, Mich.
d. 19 Feb. 1964 Charlotte, Mich.
cause: Automobile Accident
burial: Gresham Cem., Eaton Co., Mich.
church:
occupation: Farmer

m. Elsie Belle Love
b. 31 Dec. 1894 Eaton Co., Mich.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Homer & Georgie Violet (Prugh) Love

Earl Alger Furnish, the youngest child of William and Ada (Sawyer) Furnish, was born in Essex Twp., Clinton Co., Michigan. He was born in the farm home of his grandparents, Amos and Cynthia (VanHousen) Sawyer; who were living on the Will Sickles farm 2 miles east of Maple Rapids, on the Maple Rapids road at the time. His parents lived on the Chandler road, when he was born, but later bought five acres in Bingham Twp., and built a small four room house.

Earl attended the Parkers School, Bingham Twp., except for one year when he and his brother Clyde and sister Effie attended the Rowell School in Duplain Twp., since it was one mile from their home and the Parkers School was a mile and a half, and besides they could ride with their father on his way to "run his mail route." Each week-day morninghe went in to Rochester Colony and picked up the mail and then went to Shepherdsville where he picked up the mail and the small freight and delivered it enroute back to Rochester Colony, as well as "the Colony" then he continued his delivery on his way home, delivering down the side roads as well.

The children were only allowed to attend the Rowell school for one year, as their enrollment had increased, and the teacher didn't want the extra burden of children outside her own district.

Earl's father died when Earl was 12 years of age, so his mother sold their small place in the country and bought a small home in Maple Rapids, where they moved and he attended school. Here,as he became older, he worked after school and on Saturday in Otto Bullis' Drug Store.

Sometime after he was eighteen he went to Lansing and stayed with his brother and his wife, Clyde and Violia, and worked for Clyde at the Artificial Stone Company. He then went to work for the Rikert Lumber Co., and from there to the Hall Lumber Co., where he worked as foreman for four years.

It was while working at Hall's that he was introduced, by a friend, to Elsie Love, the first Sunday after Thanksgiving 1923, and on Christmas Eve he asked her to marry him, she accepted his proposal so he took her home to meet his mother and the rest of the family on New Years Eve, and they were married, 24 January 1924.

They were married by the Reverend George, in the parsonage of the Mt. Hope Methodist Episcopal Church in Lansing.

Elsie was one of six children, she was born in Carmel Twp., Eaton Co., Michigan. She had 3 brothers older and 2 sisters younger than she. She was always healthy and loved horses and the out-of-doors. So at the age of four her parents let her go to the country and live with her aunt and uncle, Jessie and Merritte Loomis. Jessie was her mother's sister, and the Loomises had no children.

Her uncle's farm was located 2½ miles north of Gresham and ¼ mile west or about 10 miles N W of Charlotte. She attended the Smith School and walked 1 3/4 miles to and from school.

When Elsie was eleven years of age she and her aunt and uncle were all baptised at the same time in the Gresham Methodist church where they all attended church and

Sunday School each Sunday.

Elsie enjoyed living on the farm, working and caring for the horses, and helping her uncle with the farm work and stayed there until World War I. She then left and went to Lansing to live and worked in the Reo Factory, later she worked at the Olds.

In 1919, because of failing health, her aunt and uncle sold the farm and moved to Charlotte where they bought a home.

After Earl and Elsie's marriage they went to live with friends, Genevieve and Walter Mendell. They lived there until June then moved into a new home at 1538 Lansing Ave., which they bought. After living here for three years they decided city life was not for them, they both preferred country living, so they sold the house, Earl quit Hall's and they rented a farm near Webberville, where they lived for one year, then moved to Stockbridge where they only lived six mon ths as the farm was sold. So they sold their interest in the stock and tools and rented a small farm near Eaton Rapids where they lived for three and one half years. Then the depression hit. They moved in with Clyde and Violia and family on the Wallace Moore farm in Shiawassee Co. This was a sixteen room house, with 2 separate stairways, so they could have their own private rooms. Violia was ill at the time, and Elsie was able to take over much of the household duties, and Earl could help with the farm work. They lived here for one year and then moved to the Henry Moore farm, a mile north of where his brother lived. Here he worked for Theadore Straugh for three years, then moved to the Blair Woodman farm on M-47 near Bennington, where they lived for three more years, and finally moved to the Oran Wough farm on Bennington Rd., where they lived for fifteen years, all in Shiawassee Co. While living on the Wough farm their house caught fire and burned to the ground. They built a small house there and lived there for one year, then Elsie inherited her Aunt Jessie and Uncle Merrit Loomis' home in Charlotte, so they had an auction and moved to 421 Henry St. in 1954

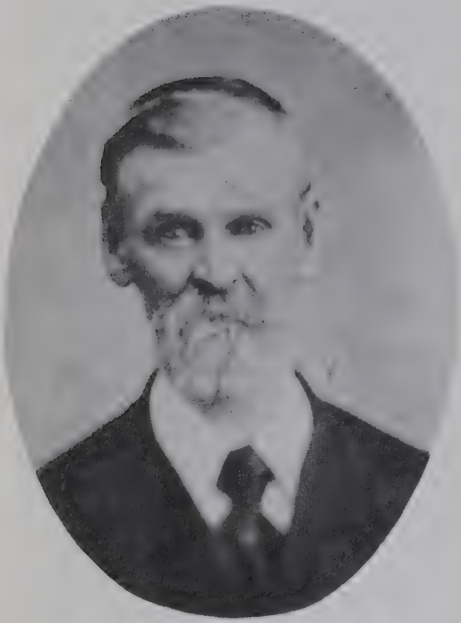
Earl was a very handy person, a "jack of all trades, and master of none" type of person. He had many skills and was in demand for many and varied odd-jobs. Besides farming he could do cement work, carpentry work, electrical work, as well as paint and wall-paper.

In Charlotte he worked for Rice Fowler. Mr Fowler owned the Chevrolet & Oldsmobile Sales & Service in Charlotte, as well as owned five farms. In the summer he worked painting the farm buildings, and worked in the farm store in Charlotte during the winter. He had worked for Mr. Fowler for seven years when he was killed in an automobile accident, about noon on Wednesday, 19 January 1964, near Charlotte. He and Elsie would have celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on the 24th.

His funeral service was held at 2:30 p. m. on Saturday at the Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte. The Reverend Kenneth L. Harris, pastor of the Byron Methodist Church officiated. (Mrs. Harris (Marion) is his niece.) He was buried in the Gresham cemetery, Eaton Co., Michigan. The funeral sermon Text used was: Psalm 90:10.

No children were born to this union.

Elsie married Harold L. Williams, a man she had gone to school with as a child, as well as they had know each other all their lives; Harold's mother and Elsie's Uncle Merritte were first cousins, they were married in October 1964.



Thomas & Caroline (Cuppy) Furnish & their farm home in Spencerville, Indiana

The Thomas Furnish Home

THOMAS EDWARD FURNISH

2) Thomas Edward Furnish m. Caroline Cuppy (Cal)

b: 9 Aug. 1836 Buffalo, N. Y.
m: 17 Nov. 1863 Ashland Do., O.
d: 2 June 1900 Spencerville, Ind.
cause: Stroke
burial: White City Cem., Spencerville
church: Lutheran
occupation: Farmer

b: 11 Apr. 1832 Ashland, Ohio
d: 5 July 1904 Spencerville, Ind.
cause: complications/fractured hip
burial: White City Cem., Spencerville
church: Methodist Episcopal
occupation: Homemaker/Financier
dau. of: John & Belinda (Wheeler) Cuppy

"Thomas Edward Furnish was born in Buffalo, N. Y. Aug. 9, 1836. In 1841 he moved with his parents to Brookfield, Stark Co. O., and from there to Savannah, Ashland Co., in 1844. In 1860 Mr. Furnish came to Indiana and located near Spencerville, on the farm on which he spent the remainder of his life. [1]

January 26, 1863 he purchased 80 acres of farm land from Marvin Francis for the sum of $800.00. He was 27 years old at the time. It was the W ½ N E ¼ of Sec. 2 Twp. 32, Range 13, which was Cedar Creek Twp., Allen Co., Indiana.[2] It was located across the road (County Line) from the 80 acres his father, David Furnish, had purchased in 1860 and the next 80 acres west.

"Nov. 17, 1863 witnessed his marriage with Miss Caroline Cuppy. This union was blessed with four daughters, one having preceeded the father to the spirit world.

They were married in Ashland Co., Ohio, then the couple emigrated to Indiana where he had been working hard to build them a home.

"From a humble beginning as a poor boy in the green woods, in a log cabin, he lived alone and made the first progress toward the beautiful home that he has always loved, and where he spent his declining years. Being of a very ambitious nature, in his younger years often having to perform the most arduous labor he early in life became a victim to failing health, consequently he has suffered much and his last days may have been mingled with purplexities; however it can truthfully be said that brother Furnish's good qualities are worthy of emulation, and that the world is better for his having lived in it."

"After a short illness, resulting from paralysis, he departed this life, June 2, 1900, at the age of 63 yrs., 9 mos. and 23 days. Mr. Furnish was a good neighbor, an honest man in all his dealings, and a respected citizen. The funeral services were conducted at the house Monday, June 4, by Rev. W. H. Schrock, pastor of the Lutheran church. Many friends and neighbors were present to pay their last respects to the dead. Interment in Spencerville cemetery."

"Mr. Furnish may have had his faults and who are they who have none; he had many noble traits of character which are well known to

Those of his neighbors, who have been closely affilliated with him. Industry, economy, virtue and sobriety are perhaps the predominating traits in his life. The writer has known him since he first arrived in this county, and has been a witness to the life he has lived among us. No word of scandal can or dare be truthfully said of his private character." [3]

"Dearest Brother, we will miss you
When your form no more we see,
But we trust that you in Jesus,
Have gained a glorious victory.

Husband, father, brother, friend,
When Heaven's beauties are unfurled
We hope to meet you with the ransomed,
And view the glories of that world.

Jesus is the Rose of Sharon
And he has promised perfect rest,
We will lay your earthly house away
With his emblem on your breast.

And we trust that when the reapers
Comes to gather in the sheaves,
You will be gathered with the saved ones
And not cast out with the leaves." [4]

Caroline Cuppy, his wife, was born in Ashland Co., Ohio, the daughter of John (1797 - 6 Sept. 1876) and Belinda Wheeler (1800 - 1 May 1869) Cuppy. The Cuppy's were early pioneers, moving to Ashland Co., Ohio in 1817. They settled in Clear Creek Twp., a "Scottish Settlement." The John Cuppy farm is located along the Olivesburg Road, 1 mile S. W. of Savannah. In 1818 John Cuppy and his bride began life together in a log cabin home there. Five generations have lived on the farm. Two houses have been destroyed by fire. The present house was moved out from Savannah. Caroline was one of seven children. The other children were: Susan, Eleanor, Mary A., Edwin, Abraham and Wesley Cuppy. [5]

"In the year 1863 she, with her husband, emigrated to Indiana, settling on the farm where she resided the remainder of her life. In clearing the farm and establishing a home she endured the toils and cares incident to pioneer life. By untiring industry the forests were cleared away and the rude log cabin has long since given place to the substantial and commodious brick residence which now marks the home site." [6]

The present owners love this home and take real pride in keeping it in beautiful condition. In 1972 they installed electric heat, and were told it needed no insulation, the foot thick walls were built with the brick laid so as to make air cells, which was the best insulation you could have they were told.

"Mother Furnish was a woman always found at her post of duty, her children having first place in her affections. She was a woman of more than ordinary intelligence, being a financier of

marked ability, and leaves her children well provided with the goods of this world." [7]

At the age of 40 she purchased 80 acres, next to the present 80 acres that Thomas had purchased just prior to their marriage. She purchased it from Thomas' sister and brother-in-law, Mary Ann (Furnish) and David Shearer for $2400.00. It was purchased on 31 Aug. 1872, and described as: E ½ N W ¼ Sec. 2, Twp. 32, Range 13. This was the 80 acres west of their present farm, also in Cedar Creek., Allen Co., Indiana. [8]

"About twelve weeks previous to her death she fell and sustained a fractured hip. She was given the best of medical care and was carefully watched and nursed by her daughters, but the time had come for her to lay down the burdens of life and take her departure to the spirit world. She departed this life July 5, 1904, aged 72 years, 2 months and 24 days.

In conversation with her pastor she declared her saving faith in Jesus Christ, accepting him as her personal Saviour. Having expressed a desire for baptism the sacrament was administered to her by Rev. M. C. Pittenger, pastor of the M. E. church of Leo. Mrs. Furnish in early life was converted and united with the Methodist Episcopal church in her native state.

The funeral services took place from the residence July 8, in charge of G. H. Simmons, pastor of the M. E. church of Spencerville, and in the presence of a large concourse of friends and relatives. Interment was made in the Spencerville cemetery. [9]

"Rest for the toiling hand,
  Rest for the aching brow,
Rest for the weary way sore feet,
  Rest from all labor now.

Soon shall the trump of God
  Give out the welcome sound
That shakes the silent chamber walls
  And breaks the turf-sealed ground.

'Twas sown in weakness here;
  'Twill then be raised in power;
That which was sown an earthly seed
  Shall spring a heavenly flower." [10]

Thomas and Caroline (Cuppy) Furnish were the parents of four daughters: Frances A., Olive F., Lona L., and C. Mary (Marie). Their daughter Lona preceeded them in death.

In a letter from James and Ida Furnish to Mrs. William H. Furnish dated 1 October 1905 it says: "Tom's girls sold the farm and moved to Auburn." So they only kept the farm about a year after their mother died.

3) Frances A. Furnish
b. 1866 Spencerville, Ind.
d. 14 May 1947 Cereal, Alberta, Canada
cause:
burial: Cereal, Alberta, Canada
church:
occupation:

Frances A. Furnish, the eldest daughter of Thomas and Caroline (Cuppy) Furnish was born in Cedar Creek Twp., Allen Co., Indiana. It is believed that she lived in and around this area until about 1913. After she and her sister sold their parents farm in 1905 the Auburn Courthouse records show that Frances bought and sold various lots in Auburn up until 1913.

It is not known whether Frances, and her sister C. Mary (Marie) and Marie's husband all migrated to Canada at the same time or whether Frances joined Marie after Mr. Clausen's death. The two women lived together at least in later years, as they sent a Christmas letter each year. Frances did some rather nice drawings of birds and nature scenes, which were sent to the family. She never married; she was living in Cereal, Alberta, Canada at the time of her death, and was buried there. She was 81 when she died.

3) Olive F.(Ollie) Furnish
b. 14 June 1870 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 6 Nov. 1892
d. 3 Dec. 1906
cause: Tuberculosis
burial: White City Cem., Spencerville
church:
occupation: Rooming House

m. Albert Vern Smith
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Carpenter
son of: & (Meyer) Smith

Olive F. Furnish, was born in Cedar Creek Twp., Allen Co., Indiana. She attended a Normal School, but it is not known if she finished the course and taught school or not. She was married to Vern Smith at age 22, and the following year gave birth to her only child, Glen, when he was very young they separated.

19 July 1902 Olive purchased a lot in Auburn from Minnie Bartels. It was Lot 60 in the Auburn Gas Addition. Then 1 August 1905 she bought 3 lots from Emma A. Shaffer in Auburn in the Ensleys First Addition. She paid $1300 for the first lot and $1200 for the others.

During the 1940's, probably 1941, an unknown man sent Glen a $10.00 bill through the mail explaining that he had rented a room from Olive and had left without paying his $2.00 fee and wanted to get right with the Creator, so wanted Olive's son to have the money with interest! So it is assumed that after Olive and Vern separated she must have rented rooms, or perhaps operated a boarding house.

In a letter from Ida (Mrs. James Furnish) to Ada (Mrs. William Furnish) in Michigan she wrote:

Auburn, Indiana Oct. 1, 1905

"The Furnish folks are all well as usual. Tom's girls sold their farm and moved to Auburn. Ollie the second girl has fits. She was married and has a boy eleven years old, they live together. She and her man parted. I had them with me three weeks this summer.....all Tom's girls have terrible tempers....

James and Ida Furnish lived across the road and a little east of Thomas and Caroline (Cal) Furnish. Evidently Olive was not well, either she had seizures or an emotional illness. She died a year later at age 36. She was buried in the White City Cemetery in Spencerville. There is a tall light brown marker that marks the graves of her mother and father as well as her sister Lona and herself. The marker is engraved on all four sides.

Vern Smith remarried and had a daughter, Erma (Smith) Beard, who lives in Auburn, as well as two other children.

4) Glen LaVern Smith
b. 26 Aug. 1893 Spencerville, Ind.
m. June 1926 Flint, Michigan
d. 10 Dec. 1957 Crestline, Ohio
cause: Cerebral Hemorrhage
burial: Crestline, Ohio
church:
occupation: Carpenter

m. Edna Lucille Plummer
b. 14 Mar. 1901 Etnagreen, Ind.
d. 15 June 1967 Crestline, Ohio
cause: Neuromuscular disorder
burial: Crestline, Ohio
church: Methodist
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Otto L. & Minnie (Ruff) Plummer

Glen was thirteen years old when his mother died. He then went to live with foster parents, the George Sleussman family in Auburn, Indiana. Glen worked with his father, Vern Smith, long enough to learn a good deal about carpentry. In 1927 Glen built a house at Point Place, Toledo, Ohio. The following year he went to Flint, Michigan to work. Here he met Edna Plummer, where both had jobs, so in June of 1926 they were married in Flint and set up housekeeping in Toledo. When the depression 'lowered the boom' on the building industry, Glen heard about a small contractor in Crestline, Ohio, so in 1937 he sold the Toledo home and moved to Crestline where he continued to work until a few weeks prior to his death. He was a World War I Veteran, stationed in England.

After Glen's death Edna went to live with her daughter Virginia, but after becoming paralyzed and under heavy medication, she and her brother Lyman had her transferred to Crestline Nursing Home, where she died six months later.

Glen and Edna were the parents of two children: Lyman Earl and Virginia Rose Smith.

5) Lyman Earl Smith
b. 28 June 1928 Toledo, Ohio
m. 26 Aug. 1952
c.
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist/Baptist
occupation: Minister

m. Gladys Mae Miller
b. 25 Feb. 1928
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker/School Teacher
dau. of: Alva B. & ( ) Miller

Lyman and Gladys were classmates in Crestline, Ohio. Glady's father was pastor of the First Methodist Church in Crestline. Her natural mother died when she was twelve years of age. Her father had remarried before he became pastor at Crestline. Both Lyman and Gladys graduated from high school in 1946 and both attended and graduated from Baldwin-Wallace College, Berea, Ohio. They were married in 1952, on his father's birthday. They went to New Jersey where Gladys taught primary grades while Lyman attended Drew Seminary for three years, in Madison, N. J. After seminary graduation and ordination they settled in Emerson, Iowa where they lived and where Lyman pastored Methodist churches in Emerson and Hastings. They returned to Ohio after his father's death in 1957. They have lived at several Ohio locations, including Crestline, Greenwich, and Perry. Then they purchased a country home in Geneva, Ohio in 1966, where they reside today, and he pastors the Baptist church there. They are the parents of two daughters: Colette Eileen and Valerie Carmen Smith.

6) Colette Eileen Smith
b: 10 Sept. 1955 Emmerson, Iowa
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Police dispatcher

m.
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Colette is presently (1975) living in Riviera Beach, Florida where she works as a dispatcher for the Police Department.

6) Valerie Carmen Smith
b: 29 May 1958 Crestline, Ohio
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Baptist/Methodist
occupation: Student

m.
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Valerie is presently (1975) a Sr. at Geneva High School.

5) Virginia Rose Smith
b: 20 Jan. 1930
m: 27 Sept. 1959
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker/X-ray Tech.

m. Walter Gibbs Hagans
b: 27 Jan. 1921
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Accountant
son of: John Elsworth & Anna Lee (Hooker) Hagans

Virginia graduated from Crestline High School in 1948, and worked at a local bank until she saved enough money to enroll in X-ray training at Cincinnati General Hospital from which she received her registry in 1952. After seven years work in that field, she met a healthy patient, Walter Gibbs Hagans, they were married in 1959. They live in the city of Cincinnati because of Walter's work for the city of Cincinnati's Finance Dept.; however they like the country so much that they have purchased a 20 acre playground in southern Indiana, 50 miles from Cincinnati, where they raise a garden, and stalk the weeds as per Euell Gibbons explanation of edible weeds.

Walter was in World War II, in the Air Force, a Radio Operator on planes. He was in the Pacific Theater. They have no children.

3) Lona Le Furnish
b: 27 Sept. 1871
m: Never married
d: 15 June 1891
cause:
burial: White City Cem., Spencerville, Ind.

3) C. Mary (Marie) Furnish
b: 1876 Spencerville, Ind.
m: 25 Dec. 1907
d: 17 Nov. 1961 Camrose, Alberta, Ca.
cause:
burial: Cereal, Alberta, Canada
church:
occupation:
residence: Cereal, Alberta, Canada

1 m. Amos Luttman
b: 1869
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

2 m. Clausen
b:
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

C. Mary Furnish was born in Cedar Creek Twp., Allen Co., Indiana. She later on went mostly by the name of Marie. She was married to Amos Luttman in 1869, but that marriage ended in divorce. There were no children born to that union.

The Auburn Courthouse records show that she purchased from Wm. C. Henderson for $75.00 Lot 39 in Spencerville of the Shutt and Henderson addition, and that she and her sister Frances purchased from Fluke Heirs, Lot 35 in Auburn for $2900, recorded 31 Jan. 1905, and that she sold 40 acres to Wm. More Etex, on 26 April 1906 for $800. It was described as S E ½ of S E ¼ of Section 14, Twp. 35, Range 13, and that she and Frances bought from Benjamin F. Hoopingamer lots 23 and 35 in the Flukes 3rd addition, on 12 Nov. 1908 for $3000.[14]

Sometime after this Marie migrated to Canada. It is not known if Marie and her second husband, a man by the name of Clausen went to Canada by themselves or if her sister Frances went with them, or if she came after Clausen's death. The two women lived together at least in later years, as they sent a Christmas letter to Glen's

family each year. At the time of her death she was in her 80's and lived in Cereal, Alberta, Canada. Her estate was settled in or about the year 1963. As at that time the surviving cousins were informed that they were named in her estate.[15]

Her estate did not involve real estate, but only personal items, such as furniture and jewelry, some of which were supposed to be of antique value. She was also supposed to have had the David Furnish Family Bible. The cousins each received a little less than seventeen dollars ($17.00).

There are only four living descendants of the Thomas Edward Furnish family at this writing (1975): Lyman Earl Smith, great-grandson, and his sister Virginia Rose (Smith) Hagans, great-granddaughter, and Lyman's two daughters; Colette Eileen and Valerie Carmen Smith, both great-great-granddaughters.

THOMAS EDWARD FURNISH FAMILY FOOTNOTES

1. Copied from his obituary in a newspaper clipping, paper not known.
2. Register of Deeds, DeKalb Co., Auburn, Indiana Courthouse. Book 31 Page 481
3. Copied from his obituary in a newspaper clipping, paper not known.
4. Poem from below newspaper obituary clipping, paper and author not known.
5. Hills History of Ashland County, Ohio
6. Copied from her obituary in a newspaper clipping, paper not known.
7. Ibid
8. Register of Deeds, DeKalb Co., Auburn, Indiana Courthouse. Book 55 Page 556
9. Copied from her obituary in a newspaper clipping, paper not known.
10. Poem copied from below obituary in a newspaper clipping, paper and author not known.
11. Register of Deeds, DeKalb Co., Auburn, Indiana Courthouse. Book 75 and Page 109 - Book 84 and Page 84 - Book 84 and Page 128.
12. Register of Deeds, DeKalb Co., Auburn, Indiana Courthouse. Book 64 and Page 426 - Book 70 and Page 96.
13. Letter written to Ada (Mrs. William Furnish) fron Ida (Mrs. James Furnish) this letter is in the possession of Vera Furnish Hartoog, 134 S. Main St. Elkton, Michigan 48731
14. Register of Deeds, DeKalb Co., Auburn, Indiana Courthouse. Book 67 and Page 383 - Book 69 and Page 24 - Book 74 and Page 367 - Book 75 and Page 550.
15. Province of Alberta, Public Trustee, Land Titles Bldg., Edmonton,Canada Re: Estate of Marie C. Clauson, Dec'd. File No. 27062

David and Mary Ann Furnish Shearer

MARY ANN FURNISH

2) Mary Ann Furnish
b. 13 July 1838 Stark Co., Ohio
m. 17 Mar. 1859
d. 25 Apr. 1894 Ashland, Ohio
cause: Spinal Meningitis
burial: Ashland Cem., Ashland, O.
church: Ashland Methodist Episcopal
occupation: Homemaker

m. David Shearer
b. 30 Nov. 1834 Fayette Co., Penn.
d. 12 Apr. 1921 Ashland, Ohio
cause: Coronary
burial: Ashland Cemetery, Ashland, O.
church: Ashland Methodist Episcopal
occupation: Carpenter/Contractor/Saw-Mill Business
son of: Solomon William & Susannah (Bortner) Shearer

Mary Ann Furnish, at the age of six moved with her parents from Stark Co. to Ashland Co., Ohio. Her parents bought 25 acres of land in Clear Creek Twp., near Savannah. On 17 Mar. 1859 she married David Shearer, the seventh child of a family of twelve children of Solomon W. Shearer (b.22 May 1795-d.10 Dec. 1843) and Susannah Bortner (b.7 Apr. 1797-d.7 Feb. 1886). He came to Ashland Co. with his parents when he was four years old. They settled in Montgomery Twp. south of Ashland, where he spent his early years. The Shearers came from Fayette Co., Pennsylvania. His brothers and sisters were: Peter, Israel, Christina, Margaret, Daniel, Rebecca, Philip, Frederick, Julianna, John and William Shearer.

According to the History of Ashland County David spent two years in Iowa.[1] It is interesting to note that Mary's brother, John, spent three years (1870-1872) also in Iowa, after he was discharged from the Civil War and had first spent four years in Ohio. One wonders if they went out there together? As 31 August 1872 David and Mary Shearer sold eighty acres of land in Cedar Creek Twp., Allen Co., Indiana to Caroline Furnish (Mrs. Thomas Furnish) for $2400. This property was located next to their present eighty acres, and across the road, but in DeKalb Co., from the eighty acres that Mary's parents (David and Caroline Furnish) owned. In fact Thomas, Abraham and James all owned property close to their parents. So perhaps Mary and David also lived there at one time, or intended to.[2]

To this union six children were born: Ida Florence, William Thadeus, Susannah Bortner (Sude), Harriet Caroline (Hattie), Margaret Myrtle (Maggie), and David F. Shearer.

Mary died at the age of 55, after six months of illness, five of which she was confined to her bed. Her illness was first diagnosed as rheumatism, later it developed into spinal meningitis.

> With the deepest regret we announce the death of Mrs. David Shearer mentioned of whose illness has been made in these columns. For many weary months she had been a great sufferer, and, although everything that loving hearts could suggest was done for her, the end came Wednesday morning at 1 o'clock. Mrs Shearer was a noble woman in every relation in life, and the announcement of her death will be received with sorrow in a wide circle of friends. A devoted and loving wife and mother, a kind friend and neighbor, she has gone to the reward of the faithful. Mrs. Shearer's maiden name was Mary A. Furnish and she had reached the age of 55 years, 9 months and 13 days. She was born in Stark county and was married to David Shearer March 16, 1859. A husband and four children mourn her departure. The funeral services will be held at the family res-

idence on Friday afternoon. [3]

MRS. DAVID SHEARER

She has gone to the reward of the faithful. For many weary months she was a great sufferer, and although everything that loving hearts could suggest was done, her spirit took its flight April 25, 1894.

Mary A. Furnish was born in Stark county, Ohio, July 13, 1838. At the age of six years her parents moved near Savannah, Ohio. She was married to David Shearer, of Ashland, March 17, 1859. Two sons and four daughters were born to them. One son and one daughter having preceded her to the spirit land. In early life she united with the Presbyterian church, of Savannah, of which she remained a member until a short time after her marriage, when she, with her husband, united with the Methodist Episcopal church, of Ashland, and remained until her death a faithful and consistent member. She was not demonstrative in her experience, but practical in her life. She was generous and self-denying, and in deeds of love and kindness will long be remembered here and have a record on high. She was a noble woman in every relation of life, a devoted and loving wife and mother, a kind friend and neighbor. Often during her sickness she would say to her husband, "It will be hard to say good-bye to you and the children, but I think my time here is short," and at each time she would entreat them to meet her in heaven. Two days before her death and after she could not speak above a whisper, she kissed her husband good-bye and whispered, "Meet me in heaven." She left this life leaving no doubt as to her triumph in the last conflict. So amid flowers, the loving tributes of her friends and her sisters in the Relief Corps, her body was laid from our sight, to await the day when she shall pass to the triumphant review before the throne. Thus is lost to us for earth a beautiful Christian life, and gained for us another friend to welcome us on the other shore.

"How joyful is the thought that lingers,
  When lov'd ones cross death's sea,
That when our labors are ended,
  With them we'll ever be."

"No parting words shall e'er be spoken
  In that bright land of flowers,
But songs of joy, and peace, and gladness,
  Shall ever more be ours."

The choir sang "Jesus Lover of My Soul," "My Jesus as Thou Wilt," and "Earth has No Sorrow That Heaven can not Heal."

Rev. Mr. Stroup read the fifteenth chapter of I Corinthians and founded his remarks on the same. [4]

"The funeral of Mrs. David Shearer was held at the family residence last Friday afternoon at three o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. P. B. Stroup, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church of which the deceased was a faithful and consistent member. The last rites were brief but impressive, the large number of friends present testifying to the love and regard in which Mrs. Shearer was held. At the close the Women's Relief Corps service was read over the departed member who was highly esteemed by the order, and each member placed a boquet upon the casket upon which rested the other many and beautiful floral offerings. Then the loved form was borne from the home which the wife and mother had made attractive by her presence." 5

DAVID SHEARER, PASSES AWAY

David Shearer, Sr., venerable and honored Ashland citizen, pioneer manufacturer, and vice president of the Ashland Centennial Association of 1915, passed away this morning at 8:45 o'clock at his residence, 303 Maple street, in his 87th year. He had been ill for a long time owing to infirmities of his advanced years.

Mr. Shearer was born November 30, 1834 in Fayette county, Pennsylvania and was the last of a family 11 children of Mr. and Mrs. William Shearer. Mr. Shearer was four years of age when the family removed to Ashland county and settled on the Shearer farm in Montgomery township, south of Ashland. On this farm David Shearer's earlier years were spent. Removing to Ashland Mr. Shearer was at first engaged in the carpenter and contracting business and about a half century ago went into the saw mill business, being first associated with N. B. Dressler and subsequently with Philip Shearer, Martin V. Kagey and John Kagey. Mr. Shearer was still interested in the Shearer & Kagey company at the time of his death.

On March 17, 1859, Mr. Shearer was united in marriage with Miss. Mary Furnish who passed away April 25, 1894. Six children were born to them. One died in infancy; a daughter, Harriet, passed away in 1892, and another daughter, Mrs. Ralph Smith of this city died in July, 1913. One son, William Shearer, and two daughters, Miss Sude Shearer and Mrs. Margaret Edwards, all of Ashland, survive. There are 7 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mr. Shearer was a quiet, unostentatious man, noble-hearted and interested in the welfare of the community. He was highly esteemed by all who knew him and his memory will be cherished.

Funeral services at the Shearer home om Maple street, Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock, his pastor, the Rev. Dr. L. R. Akers of the Methodist church officiating. Burial will be in the Ashland cemetery." 6

LOVING TRIBUTES TO MEMORY OF NOBLE CITIZEN

The funeral services of the late David Shearer were held Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock from his home at 303 Maple street, conducted by Rev. Dr. L. R. Akers of the M. E. church who took for his text the latter part of the 2nd verse of the 127th Psalm: "For so he giveth his beloved sleep."

Mrs. Don Richards sang two beautiful solos--"Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" and "Some Day, Some Time We'll Understand." She was accompanied by Miss Ethel Staufer. The numerous beautiful floral designs gave evidence of the high regard in which he was held. He was widely known, having been in the lumber business here for about 50 years. He was the first president of the then Board of Trade, now called the Chamber of Commerce. He served in the city council for a number of years, was on the school board and served as one of the trustees of the water works. He was also a member of the official board of the M. E. church and a member of the W. D. Stem Bible class.

The official board of the Friday Afternoon Bible Club, of which his daughter, Mrs. Edwards, is a member, attended in a body. A number of letters of condolence from the different lumber companies with whom he did business, have been received by the family.

Relatives and friends from out of town who attended the funeral were James Furnish, Spencerville, Ind., Mrs. Isaac Grosh, Grabill, Ind., Mrs John Grosh, Kendallville, Ind., Mrs. E. L. Hilkey, Auburn, Ind., Mrs Theron Pilgrim, Orvilla, Ind., Mrs Frank Klopfenstein, Leo, Ind., Mrs. C. H. Cuppet and Miss Pearl Barker, Fayette City, Pa., Mrs. Elizabeth Edwards and Mrs. Chas. Workman, Mansfield, O., Mr. Hudson of the Carter & Leed Co., Mansfield, O., Frank White, Plymouth, Mrs. J. N. Fulmer, and Mrs. Frank Walker and son Kenneth Nova, Mrs. Theodore White and Mrs. Harrison Fels, Savannah, Mrs. Fremont Masters, Rowsburg, and Ora Shearer, Lodi." 7

Residence of David Shearer, Maple Street

3) Ida Florence Shearer
b. 14 Feb. 1860 Ashland, Ohio
m: 5 Apr. 1883
d: 16 July 1913 Ashland, Ohio
cause: Stroke
burial: Ashland Cem., Ashland, Ohio
church: Methodist Episcopal, Ashland
occupation: Homemaker

m. Ralph Augustus Smith
b. 7 Apr. 1858 Peoria, Ill.
d. 12 July 1930 Ashland, Ohio
cause:
burial: Ashland Cem., Ashland, Ohio
church: Methodist Episcopal, Ashland
occupation: Lumber Mill/Sawyer
son of:

"Following a stroke of apoplexy sustained the previous Sunday evening, Mrs. Ida Smith, wife of Ralph A. Smith, passed away last Wednesday evening at her home, 208 East Walnut street. Up until the time she was stricken, Mrs. Smith had apparently been in her usual good health, and her sudden and untimely death came as a great blow to relatives and friends.

Mrs. Smith is survived by her husband, three daughters, Mary, Martha and Ruth; one son, Thad; her father, David Shearer; two sisters, Miss. Sude Shearer and Mrs. Milton Edwards; and one brother, William Shearer. Mrs. Smith was a devoted wife and mother, a loyal member of the Methodist Church and faithful in all the relations of life.

Funeral services conducted by the Rev. John I. Wean, of the M. E. Church were held Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Smith residence. The Methodist quartette sang. There were many floral tributes testifying to the love and esteem in which Mrs. Smith was held. Interment was made in the Ashland Cemetery.

Relatives and friends here from out of town for the funeral were: Mrs. Augusta Smith, Washington, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Simmons and son, Harry, and daughter, Myrtle, of Perrysville; Freeman Smith, Toledo; Mrs. Benjamin Underhill, Miss Mary Rice, Cleveland; Mrs. Frank Walker, Mrs. J. Brown, Mrs. White, Mrs. Frank Burge, Mrs. H. Brown, all of Savannah; Solomon Shearer, Mrs. Myrtle VanAuken, Auburn, Ind.; Mrs. J, N. Fulmer, and Mrs. Rev. McCauley of Nova." 8

"Ralph A. Smith, aged 72, died at his home 524 Taylor Street at 6:17 A. M. today after a brief illness. Mr. Smith was formerly employed in a local lumber mill. He was born in Peoria, Illionis April 7, 1858 and had resided in Ashland practically all of his life. Surviving are three daughters and one son, Miss Mary Smith at home, Mrs. Martha Barman, Placenta, California, Mrs. Ruth Williams, Alhambra, California; ons sister, Mrs. A. W. Simmons of Perrysville and one brother, F. O. Smith of Toledo, and four grandchildren. His wife preceded him in death several years ago. He was a member of the local Methodist church.

The body will be removed from the Heyl Funeral Home to the home on Taylor Street where funeral services will be held Monday at 2:30 P. M. with the Rev. H. R. Whiting in charge. Burial will be made in Ashland Cemetery. 9

Ralph worked at the Shearer & Kagey Mill, first he drove a team of horses and delivered lumber for the mill. They were the parents of four children: David Thadeus, Mary Lucina, Martha Louise and Ruth Pauline Smith.

4) David Thadeus Smith
b. 7 June 1888 Ashland, Ohio
m. 8 Aug. 1910 Ashland, Ohio
d. 18 June 1959 Ashland, Ohio
cause: "lingering illness"
burial: Ashland Cem., Ashland, Ohio
church: Methodist Episcopal, Ashland
occupation: Pressman

m. Meriba Theress Greenlun
b. 12 Nov. 1888 Mohicanville, Ohio
d. 4 Aug. 1957 Ashland, Ohio
cause: "lingering illness"
burial: Ashland Cem., Ashland, Ohio
church: Methodist Episcopal, Ashland
occupation: Corsetiere
dau. of: Samuel C. & Lilliam (Cross) Greenlun

David Smith was born in Ashland, and lived here most of his life. He was employed at the Faultless Rubber Company as a Pressman, until he retired in 1953. He was married to Meriba Greenlun, they had no children. Meriba was a Corsetiere for 25 years. They were both members of the First Methodist Church in Ashland. Meriba was a member of the "Anti Can't" Sunday School Class and the B & P W Club and the Past Presidents Club.

Meriba died at 5:15 P. M. Sunday, 4 August 1957, at the Samaritan Hospital after a lingering illness. Her funeral service was deld at 2 P. M. Wednesday in the Gilbert Funeral Home with the Reverend Paul Fress officiating. Burial was in Ashland Cemetery.

David died two years after Meriba's death. He died at the Helbert Rest Home, Ashland, at 4:30 A. M. 18 June 1959 Thursday, following a lingering illness. His funeral service was held Saturday at 2 P. M. (EST) at the Gilbert Funeral Home with the Reverend Russell Linton, officiating. Burial was in Ashland Cemetery, Ashland, Ohio.[10]

Note of interest: Rev. Paul W. Frees came to Ashland in the fall of 1945 as pastor of the First United Brethren Church (now Christ United Methodist), where he still is in 1975. His first formal open-Church wedding in Ashland was Easter Sunday, 21 April 1946. Thelma Grace Steigerwalt to Clarence Jay Welsh. Thelma is a descendant of Daniel Shearer, brother of David and Philip Shearer of Ashland.

4) Mary Lucina Smith
b. 9 July 1884 Ashland, Ohio
d. 14 Dec. 1962 Ashland, Ohio
cause: Stroke
burial: Ashland Cemetery, Ashland, Ohio
church: Methodist Episcopal, Ashland
occupation: Factory

Mary was a life long resident of Ashland and was employed at the Faultless Rubber Company for many years. She was an active member of the First Methodist Church, the "Anti Can't" Sunday School Class, Methodist Circle, Women's Society of Christian Service and the Ohio Rebekah Assembly.

She died on Friday evening at the Owens Nursing Home following an extended illness on 14 December 1962. Her home was at 524 Taylor St., Ashland.

Her funeral services were held at 1:30 P. M. Tuesday at the Denbow Funeral Home conducted by the Reverend Joseph E. Henderson with burial in the Ashland Cemetery.[11]

4) Martha Louise Smith
b. 15 Apr. 1891 Ashland, Ohio
m. 20 June 1916
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

1. m. Guy John Barman
b. 1880 Iowa
d. 9 Oct. 1940
cause: Heart Trouble
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

They were the parents of two sons: David Melvin and Richard Smith Barman.

5) David Melvin Barman
b. 2 Dec. 1917
m. 1938
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. LaRue Nelsyne Jordan (of Dallas, Texas)
b. 28 Jan. 1920
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

They lived in Los Angeles until 1961 when they moved to Roswell, Georgia. In 1973 they moved back to Los Angeles, California. They are the parents of four children: Sandra Louise, David Ronald, Rae Jean, and Richard Lee Barman.

6) Sandra Louise Barman
b. 17 Dec. 1940
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Thadeus Ray Faussett (?Faucette)
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

They live in Tacoma, Washington and are the parents of three children: Thadeus Ray III, Angela Eileen and David Michael Faussett.

7) Thaddeus Ray Faussett III
b. 6 Aug. 1960
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

7) Angela Eileen Faussett
b. 9 Mar. 1962
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) David Michael Faussett
b. 9 July 1963
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6 David Ronald Barman
b. 27 Aug. 1943
m. 2 July 1967
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Ann Weist
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

They live in Bismark, North Dakota and are the parents of two children: Ronald David and Robert Herman Barman.

7) Ronald David Barman
b. 29 Apr. 1968
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

7) Robert Herman Barman
b. 2 May 1973
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Rae Jean Barman
b. 25 Jan. 1947
m. 1 Apr. 1964
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Thomas Wood
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

They live in Marietta, Georgia and have five children: Sheila Rae, Andrea Marie, Gloria Lynn, Thomas Anthony and Daniel Meredith Wood.

7) Sheila Rae Wood
b. 10 Nov. 1964
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) Andrea Marie Wood
b. 11 Nov. 1965
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) Gloria Lynn Wood
b. 12 Jan. 1967
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) Thomas Anthony Wood
b. 15 May 1967
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

7) Daniel Meredith Wood
b. 16 July 1969
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Richard Lee Barman
b. 20 Jan. 1951
m. 23 Jan. 1970
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: U. S. Army 1975

m. Linda Hughey
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

They live in Junction City, Kansas and are the parents of one son, Richard Hughey Barman

7) Richard Hughey Barman
b. 15 Mar. 1973
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Richard Smith Barman
b. 17 Apr. 1920
m. 4 Sept. 1943
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Orita Doris Radley
b. 25 Aug. 1921
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau of:

Orita is from Los Angeles. They have one child, Dennis Lee Barman and are now divorced.

6) Dennis Lee Barman
b. 2 June 1945
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Dennis was living in Germany 1975.

5) Richard Lee Barman

See information above with first marriage

2.m. Eleanor Bewley Smith
b.
m. 13 Feb. 1960
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Eleanor is from Three Rivers, California. They live in Visalia, California.

4) Martha Louise Smith

See information with first marriage.

m. George Donkersgoed
b. Wisconsin
m. 16 July 1949
d. 1976
cause:
burial:
cause:
church:
occupation:
son of:

George and Martha live in LaHabra, California in a mobile home.

4) Ruth Pauline Smith
b. 25 Dec. 1894
m. 6 Aug. 1919
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Parnell Williams
b.
d. 24 Sept. 1938
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Ruth Williams lived in Alhanbra but in 1975 was living in Palmdale, California. She and Parnell were the parents oftwo daughters: Joan Ruth and Barbara Louise Williams.

5) Joan Ruth Williams
b. 1 Mar. 1923
m. 19 Dec. 1942
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

1. m. Harold LaVon Lloyd
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

They are the parents of three children: Robert Harold, Richard Allen and Roger William Lloyd. They are now divorced.

6) Robert Harold Lloyd
b. 19 Sept. 1943
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Robert Lloyd lives in Palmdale, California.

6) Richard Allen Lloyd
b. 6 June 1947
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Richard Lloyd lives in Palmdale, Calif.

6) Roger William Lloyd
b. 3 Jan. 1950
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Joan Ruth Williams

See information with first marriage.

2. m. James Freeman
b.
m. 12 Mar. 1966
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Barbara Louise Williams
b. 25 June 1930
m. 17 July 1953
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Robert Gasperik
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Barbara and Robert are the parents of three children: Douglas Alex, Donald Parnell and Denise Ruth Gasperik. They live in West Covina, California.

6) Douglas Alex Gasperik
b. 30 Sept. 1954
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: In The Service 1975

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Donald Parnell Gasperik
b. 17 July 1956
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: In The Service 1975

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Denise Ruth Gasperik
b. 30 Dec. 1961
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

3) William Thadeus Shearer
b. 10 Dec. 1861 Ashland, Ohio
m. 1 May 1899 Ashland, Ohio
d. 30 Nov. 1926 Ashland, Ohio
cause: Tetanus
burial: Ashland Cemetery
church: Methodist Episcopal
occupation: Cabinet Maker

m. Orline Kissel
b. 21 Nov. 1870 Polk, Ohio
d. 5 Jan. 1936 Ashland, Ohio
cause: Coronary
burial: Ashland Cemetery
church: Methodist Episcopal
occupation: Clerk
dau. of: Absolom & Sevilla (Wireman) Kissel

From the Ashland Times Gazette Friday evening, November 26, 1926, page 3:

W. T. Shearer of East Liberty Street is a patient at Samaritan Hospital as the result of a painful accident to his left hand Tuesday morning when he caught it in the planer at the Shearer and Chesshir Mill. The plane peeled off the skin from the wrist knuckles and made a dddp cut across the palm of the hand.

No one was present in the planing room at the time of the accident but Shearer notified fellow workmen of his injury and was removed immediately to the hospital, where Dr. J. Fridline dressed the injury. Several stitches were taken both across the palm and the back of the hand.

Shearer is reported as resting as comfortably at the hospital as could be expected, while close watch is being made of the injury to avoid complications.

There were no other injuries except the injury to Shearer's hand and the nervous shock resulting from the painful infliction.

From the same paper Wednesday evening, December 1, 1926, page 1, top far left.

William T. Shearer, one of Ashland's lifelong residents and partner in the Shearer and Chesshir Planing Mill, died yesterday at 3 p. m. at Samaritan Hospital as the result of lockjaw which set in Sunday after a severe injury to his hand at the Planing Mill Tuesday of last week. Shearer was 65 years old at the time of his death.

All his life, Shearer has spent in the City of Ashland having been born here in 1861, the son of David Shearer, who was the founder of the planing mill of which the son later became a partner member. He joined with his father in conducting the mill at an early age and after the death of the elder Shearer he took over his father's ownership and had been associated there ever since.

Elected first president of the first organized adult Bible class in the world, The Stem Bible Class of the Methodist Church. Shearer always took a great interest in this class and was active as a member of the Methodist Church for many years.

As a woodworker he was known for his artistic and capable talent, one of his most attractive works being the canopy now in the Odd Fellows Hall. This canopy he designed and made himself.

He was an active member of the Odd Fellows Lodge here. He was also a former member of the Rotary Club, but resigned from the organization because of his work at the mill which kept him from attending the meetings.

Beside his wife, the deceased is survived by a daughter, Mary Louise, and one son, David Milton, two grandchildren and two sisters, Sude Shearer and Mrs. Margaret Edwards, all of this city.

The funeral services will be held at the home, 232 East Liberty Street on Friday at 2 p. m. with the Reverend H. R. Whiting officiating. Burial will be made at the Ashland Cemetery.

Odd Fellows are requested by the Noble Grand to meet in the I. O. O. F. Hall at 1 p. m. on Friday to attend the funeral of their brother.

Orline Shearer was also a member of the Methodist Church in Ashland. She died at her home, 303 Maple Street, Ashland at 11 p. m. on Sunday. Her funeral services were conducted from the Heyl Funeral Home on Broad Street on Wednesday at 2 p. m. with the Reverend H. S. Powell officiating. Burial was in Ashland Cemetery.

William and Orline Shearer were the parents of three children: David Milton, Mary Louise and Margaret Mae Shearer.

4) David Milton Shearer	1.m.	Pearle Watson
b. 17 Mar. 1901 Ashland, Ohio		b. 15 Nov. 1896 Utica, Ohio
m. 6 June 1919		d. 16 Jan. 1974 Galion, Ohio
d. 26 Nov. 1973 LaHabra, Calif.		cause: Coronary
cause: Oroanary		burial: Ashland Cemetery
burial: Memory Garden Mem. Pk. LaHabra		church:
chruch:		occupation:
occupation: Pattern Maker		dau. of: Clem & Nora (McLaughlin) Watson.

Milt Shearer worked as a pattern maker, retail lumber, and then in 1930 as inspector in a machine shop in Youngstown and Akron, Ohio. Sometime after 1944 he left the Ohio area and moved to California. He was married twice to Pearle Watson, both times ending in divorce. Hie death was due to a coronary. He suffered his his first one on 16 October, then suffered his second one while eating in a restaurant on his way home from visiting his wife, who was a patient in the hospital at the time, on 26 November, 1973.

He was the last of the Shearer line of the four Shearer brothers (Fred, John, Philip and David) that settled in Ohio during the 1840's. John was a farmer, living near Ashland, Ohio, as was Fred. Phillip and David were carpenters. Milt was the only grandson of the founder of the Shearer-Kagey Lumber Co. of Ashland, David Shearer.

Even though they were divorced Pearle remained a close friend of the Shearer family and cared for Susannah Shearer (Sude) during her illness prior to her death.

Pearl suffered a heart attack the day after her sister's funeral and died a few days later.

Milt and Pearle were the parents of two daughters: Margaret June and Barbara Adair Shearer.

5) Margaret June Shearer	m.	A. Jackson Spangler
b. 6 June 1920		b. 11 Nov.
m. 23 Feb. 1946		d.
d.		cause:
cause:		burial:
burial:		church:
church:		occupation: Machinest/Salesman
occupation: Homemaker/Clerk		son of:

June graduated from Newark High School, Newark, Ohio 1939. She likes to paint, sew and read. She works at Montgomery Wards. She has been there for eight years. (1976). She sells cosmetics.

Jack graduated from Whitesburg, Kentucky High School. He was in the Air Force Engineers for five years. He has been an appliance salesman for Woolco Dept. Stores for five years (1976). They live in St. Petersburg, Florida and are the parents of two children: Melinda Adair and David Andrew Spangler.

6) Melinda Adair Spangler
b. 23 Oct. 1946 Akron, Ohio
m. 20 Feb. 1971
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Administrative Assistant

m. Bryan A. Miller
b. 10 Feb.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Welding Rod Business
son of:

Melinda graduated from Ellet High School, Akron, Ohio. She attended Akron University for one summer and then went to Washington D. C. where she worked for the Central Intelligence Agency. She is presently Administrative Assistant with Steve Paton Associates, Inc. in Arlington, Virginia. She has been there nearly two years (1976). She and Bryan were divorced in 1973, they had no children.

6) David Andrew Spangler
b. 27 July 1961
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Student

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

David is a High School student. He likes architecture, painting and swimming.

5) Barbara Adair Shearer
b. 5 Nov. 1923 Ashland, Ohio
d. 4 Jan. 1935 Mansfield, Ohio
cause: Cystic Fibrosis
burial: Ashland Cemetery
(beside her mother)

4) David Milton Shearer

See Information with first marriage.

2. m. Sophie Gershy (Mickey)
b.
d. Sept. 1939
m.
cause: Cancer
burial: Akron, Ohio
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

3. m. Pearle Watson Shearer (remarried)
Divorced again in 1944

4 m. Clara May Miller
b: 3 Aug. 1899
m: 8 Oct. 1946
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

4) Mary Louise Shearer
b: 11 Feb. 1907 Ashland, Ohio
m: 13 Oct. 1928
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Secretary/Homemaker

m. Raymond H. Young
b: 2 June 1904 Burbank, Ohio
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Personnel Mgr.
son of: Floyd Adelbert & Myrtle (Bonser) Young

Louise and Raymond attended the same high school, but really never met until they both were employed at Faultless Rubber Co., in Ashland, Ohio. Louise worked there as a secretary. Raymond lost his job at Faultless during the depression. He then got a jog with the Goodrich Company, but worked during the war at the Lone Star Defense Corp., which was managed for the government by Goodrich in Texarkana, Texas. From there they went to Miami, Oklahoma, with Goodrich, then to Tuscaloosa, Alabama, as personnel manager until his retirement.

Louise is a wonderful cook, and does beautiful needlework. She enjoys reading, and crossword puzzles. Both Raymond and Louise are great University of Alabama basketball fans, and hold season tickets. They travel with the team to many out-of-town games. Raymond is an officer of the "Tip off Club" made up of team supporters. Besides this and an interest in football, he enjoys reading and working in the yard. Raymond had open heart surgery in 1972, and has had a remarkable recovery. Louise was in the hospital a couple of months for a hip ball and socket replacement in 1974.

They are the parents of four daughters: Cynthia (Cindy) Sue, Judith (Judy), Karen Louise, and Andrea Lea Young.

5) Cynthia (Cindy) Sue Young
b: 23 Mar. 1931 Ashland, Ohio
m: 21 Mar. 1959
d:
cause:
burial:
church: First Presbyterian Tuscaloosa
occupation: Spanish Teacher

m. Enrique Ruiz-Fornells
b: 6 Dec. 1925 Spain
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: Spanish Teacher
son of: Camilo & Teresa (Silverde) Ruiz-Fornells

Cynthia graduated from the University of Alabama Phi Beta Kappa, then went into foreign service in Madrid, Spain, where she met her husband. She has her masters degree, and teaches Spanish at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. Enrique has his Ph D. and also teaches Spanish at the University. They are both bilingual. Every summer they return to Madrid, Spain, where Enrique is director for the Univ-

ersity of Madrid Summer School. He is editor of a Spanish review periodical and he was recently elected national president of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese. They enjoy gourmet cooking as a hobby, and are now enjoying decorating their new home at 222 The Highlands, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

5) Judith (Judy) Ann Young
b: 6 Mar. 1935 Ashland, Ohio
m: 28 Aug. 1954
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Secretary/Homemaker

m. Roy Spencer Giles
b: 11 Dec. 1928 Ft. Myers, Fla.
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Medical Doctor
son of: Robert West & Maud Ann (Spencer) Giles Sr.

Judy attended the University of Alabama School of Nursing, but did not graduate. She met Roy Giles while he was a student at the University, and she was still in high school in Tuscaloosa. She quit nursing school when he was admitted to the University of Miami med. school. She worked as a medical secretary. He is a general practitioner. After he served his internship they moved to his hometown, Ft. Myers, Florida, where he set up his practice. They both enjoy fishing, boating, and their German shepherd "Guy". Roy likes to tinker with mechanical things, while Judy loves to read.

5) Karen Louise Young
b: 3 Apr. 1939 Ashland, Ohio
m: 27 Aug. 1961
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Holt United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker/Librarian

m. Robert Lee Standifer
b: 25 Apr. 1935 Tuscaloosa, Ala.
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Holt United Methodist
occupation: Mechanic
son of: Porter L. & Mattie Sue (Church) Standifer

Karen graduated from the University of Alabama, with a degree in library science. Robert attended the Univ of Ala., but did not graduate. He is a mechanic at Goodrich. They are extremely active in church work. They both teach Sunday School, and Karen has been editor of the church newsletter. Karen's hobby is needlework. They are the parents of two sons: Robert Jeffrey and David Brian Standifer.

6) Robert Jeffrey Standifer
b: 7 Nov. 1962 Tuscaloosa, Ala.
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Holt United Methodist
occupation:

m.
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) David Brian Standifer
b. 14 July 1971
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Holt United Methodist
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Andrea Lea Young
b. 24 Dec. 1949 Tuscaloosa, Ala.
m. 1 June 1970
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Ft. Deposit United Methodist
occupation: Teacher

m. Toby Fondren Coleman
b. 8 Oct. 1943 Montgomery, Ala.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Fort Deposit United Methodist
occupation: Teacher
son of: Thomas Sanderson & Irville (Fondren) Coleman

Andrea graduated Phi Beta Kappa and Mortar Board from the University of Alabama, with a Degree in History. Here she met Toby Coleman a graduate student. They were married the day after her graduation. She teaches English and Language Arts to sixth and seventh graders in a private school near Fort Deposit, Alabama. She has many hobbies - houseplants, birdwatching, stamp and coin collecting, needlework, collecting glass "Hens on nests," reading, and working on her family tree, besides working as a teacher full time.

Her 'Prize Possession,' is the Young Bible. It contains a record going back six generations. Back to Ulysis Young who brought his family by ox cart from Vermont to Ohio. --- Her great-grandfather died in Nevada in the Gold Rush of 1849.

Toby graduated with his Ph D in English History, and taught in a local high school. He has a woodworking shop where he builds Colonial and Early American reproduction furniture by hand. He also plays 'Blue Grass' banjo and is learning to paint with watercolors and do pen and ink drawings. He is an avid 'Red Sox' fan, and is interested in vegetable gardening. They both enjoy their basset hound "Fred". In June of 1975 they began building a new home. 1976 Toby quit teaching high school to devote his days to furniture making (he already has had to expand his shop (Feb. 1977). he still drives to Montgomery two days a week to teach his college courses at Auburn.

4) Margaret Mae Shearer
b. 15 Sept. 1911 Ashland, Ohio
d. 25 June 1917 Ashland, Ohio
cause: Measles
burial: Ashland Cemetery

Margaret Shearer died Monday p. m. at the home of her parents, 232 East Liberty Street, from complications following the measles. She would have been six in Sept. Funeral Services were conducted at the home at 3 O'clock with the Reverend Arthur D. Mink pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Interment was in Ashland Cemetery.

3) Susannah (Sude) Bortner Shearer
b. 21 Mar. 1864 Ashland, Ohio
d. 16 June 1950 Ashland, Ohio
cause: Cancer/Coronary/Stroke
burial: Ashland Cemetetery
church: Methodist Episcopal
occupation: Housekeeper

Sude Shearer was a lifelong resident of Ashland. She died in the family home, 303 Maple St., where her parents had both died. She was occupied as a housekeeper. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Ashland the Mrs. I. H. Good Sunday School Class, the Maple-Walnut Streets Circle, Bethany Rebekah Lodge and the Past Noble Grand Circle. She was 86 years of age when she died and was the last of her immediate family. Her parents and both of her brothers and her three sisters preceeded her in death. She was cared for the last two months of her life by Mrs. Pearle(Watson)Shearer (former wife of her nephew, David Milton Shearer.)

3) Harriet (Hattie) Caroline Shearer
b. 26 Apr. 1866 Ashland, Ohio
d. 17 Apr. 1892 Ashland, Ohio
cause: Epilepsy
burial: Ashland Cemetery
church: Methodist Episcopal
occupation: House work (at home)

Hattie Shearer was a talented musician. She played the piano. She could go to a concert and come home and play all the music by ear. She was striken at age fifteen with Epilepsy. The Memorial Folder given out at her funeral read as follows:

> "It seemed fitting that a life of eleven long years of intense suffering should be set free on Easter Sabbath, and her glad spirit go to join the angelic choir and sing anew Christ is risen indeed.
>
> Hattie Shearer was a child of rare promise and sweetest Christian grace; she was gifted with unusual intellectual ability that never waned during all her sickness. Fifteen beautiful, happy years she went in and out among us, scattering sunshine and joy by her mirthful and sunny disposition, winning the affections of her schoolmates and esteem of her teachers by faithful application to her school work. Then suddenly, without a moment of warning, she was striken down by disease, which, for eleven long years, she bore with a loving, gentle patience, touching to see, always looking on the bright side, hoping for the best; she cheered and comforted those who so lovingly ministered to her necessities. Everything that love and medical skill could do to relieve her was done, but all to no avail. A few days before her birthday she remarked to her sister: "I wish I could spend my next birthday in heaven." Her wish was granted. A class friend remarked: "It has been a mystery why one so young and beautiful, loving and beloved as Hattie should be compelled to suffer so; it is a mystery we earthly beings can not solve, and will have to wait until that day when the rainbow of God's clear and beautiful

explanation shall be hung across all the departed showers of earthly grief." And so the sorrowing, bereaved hearts, who miss her so much here, bow in sweet submission and wait the Father's time to explain all. Surrounded by beautiful flowers, the loving tributes of her many friends, she was laid away to rest in the full hope of a glad immortality beyond.

"There is no death; the leaves may fall,
The flowers may fade and pass away,
They only wait through wintry hours
The coming of the May."

"O friends! no proof beyond this yearning,
This outreach of our souls we need--
God will not mock the hope he giveth,
No love He prompts shall vainly plead."

A Friend.

"The church choir, of which she was once a member, sang her favorite hymn, "Ashamed of Jesus" "Peacefully Rest" and "Good Night."

The Reverend Mr. Mather read the XXXIX Psalm, also the fifteenth chapter of I Corinthians, commencing with the forty-first verse, and founded his remarks on the same."

3) Margaret (Maggie) Myrtle Shearer
b. 24 June 1871 Ashland, Ohio
m. 25 Dec. 1903
d. 1939 Ashland, Ohio
cause: Stroke
burial: Ashland Cemetery
church: Methodist Episcopal
occupation: Clerk in Jewelry Store

m. Milton Edwards
b. 17 Sept. 1868 Ashland, Ohio
d. 1907 Ashland, Ohio
cause: Tuberculosis
burial: Ashland Cemetery
church: Trinity Lutheran
occupation: Traveling Salesman for Dr. Hess & Clark
son of: William & ( )
Edwards.

Maggie Shearer was born in Ashland and lived most of her life in Ashland, with the exception of two or three years spent in California. She was a member of the Methodist church and Women's Foreign Missionary Society and Mrs. I. H. Good's Sunday School Class of that Church. She was also a member of the Bethany Rebekah Lodge.

She married Milton Edwards on Christmas Day 1903. They were only married five years when he died.

The following is copied from a newspaper clipping: Times-Gazette, Ashland, Ohio:

"For over two years past Mr. and Mrs. Edwards lived in the west. While employed as traveling salesman for Dr. Hess & Clark Mr. Edwards contracted a severe cold during a business trip in the interest of the firm in the state of Pennsylvania. His fatal illness dated from that time. Shortly after having undergone an operation at Sharick's Hospital here, which temporarily improved his condition, it was decided that he go west for a change of climate and he and his wife located at Los Angeles, Cal. For over a year his health seemed to improve

and during that period he was employed as city salesman for the Standard Woodenware Co. of Los Angeles. His health again failed and he and Mrs. Edwards left Los Angeles for Denver, afterwards going to Albuquerque, New Mexico. His condition suddenly grew worse and he expressed a desire to return to Ashland, which was fulfilled. They arrived in this city just two weeks prior to Christmas day last. He, however, continued to become weaker and fainter hopes were entertained for his recovery. Once a strong, robust, healthy young man, his form became sadly emaciated and near and dear ones realized that the end was surely not far distant when he must cease his brave and patient struggles to live.

On Wednesday he appeared to feel somewhat better and it was while he was sitting in a comfortable chair on the side porch of his home on Maple street, eating an orange, that he was attacked by a coughing spell, which was followed by a hemorrhage. His wife hurried to his assistance, as did also his sister-in-law, Miss Sude Shearer. He knew that death was upon him, and as he threw his head back, he gently murmured "good-bye" and soon all was over. Dr. George Riebel, in the meantime, had been quickly summoned, but when the doctor arrived, he had breathed his last--his spirit had taken its eternal flight.

Mr. Edwards was well known in Ashland and highly respected by all. He always possessed a cheery disposition, had kindly smiles and pleasant words of greeting for all with whom he came in contact and he made warm friends wherever he went.

Mr. Edwards was a Christian gentleman, being a member of the Trinity Lutheran church. He was also a Spanish War Veteran, having enlisted for service while in Chicago at the breaking out of the war with Spain. He served as quartermaster.

Funeral was Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, standard, services were conducted at the David Shearer home on Maple street, by Dr. Arthur H. Smith of Trinity Lutheran church, assisted by the Reverend B. F. Rhoads, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church. Interment was in Ashland Cemetery, Ashland, Ohio.

No children were born to this union.

Maggie Edwards died at her home, 303 Maple Street, at 12:30 a. m. after several weeks of illness.

Her funeral services were held Friday at 2:30 p. m. at her late home. Dr. A. A. Hunter, pastor of the Methodist Church officiated. Interment was in Ashland Cemetery. Gilbert Funeral directors were in charge of the funeral.

3) David F. Shearer
b. 11 Dec. 1875
d. 11 Aug. 1876
cause: Typhoid
burial: Ashland Cemetery

His mother was sick with Typhoid, David was only eight months, and still nursing.

Wm. Harkless & Nancy Elizabeth (Furnish) Brown

Minnie, Frances and Margaret Brown

Nancy (Furnish) Brown, Ruth Burge & Ida (Furnish) Metcalf

James, John, Warren and Jack Brown

NANCY ELIZABETH FURNISH

2) Nancy Elizabeth Furnish
b. 18 Sept. 1840 Savannah, Ohio
m.
d. 28 Jan. 1915
cause: Burns & Exposure
burial: Savannah Cemetery
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Homemaker

m. William Harkless Brown
b. 23 Dec. 1837 Pennsylvania
d. 1 Sept. 1914 Savannah, Ohio
cause:
burial: Savannah Cemetery
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Farmer
son of: John & Elizabeth (Harkless) Brown of Franklin & Westmorland Co. Pa.

Nancy Brown was born in Clear Creek Twp., and lived her entire life in the same area. Her father, David Furnish, was one of the pioneer residents of Clear Creek.

She died from the effects of burns received the evening before when her clothing caught fire while she was making a fire in a stove in the cellar at her home one mile south of Savannah. She was alone at the farmhouse at the time. Her son Warren who lived with her, and the hired man had driven a wagon to Ashland early in the P.M to deliver some logs. They arrived back home about 5 o'clock and found her.

She had gone to the cellar about 4 o'clook to get some things for supper, and while down there decided to build a fire in the wood stove to keep the fruit and vegetables from freezing. In some way her dress caught fire, she was unable to put it out, so ran upstairs, and finally ran out doors where she rolled in the snow under an apple tree 15-20 yards from the house. By the time the flames were put out the clothing had all been burned off of her body, save a few charred shreds.

She managed to get to the house by crawling, but did not have enough strength left to open the door. The temperature was near zero, as she lay near the door, still conscious, with her clothing all burned off except a piece of waistband. A small piece of her dress at her neck and shoulders, and her stockings and shoes. This is how her son found her. Dr. G. W. Jacoby came when summoned and did all he could for her, but she steadily grew worse, and at one o'clock on Friday morning she passed away.

The path through the snow from the tree to the back door was marked by pieces of charred cloth and evidences of her awful struggle to get back into the house.

Her funeral was conducted by the Reverend M. E. Todd, pastor of the Savannah Presbyterian Church, as was her late husband just a few months before. Her services were held on Monday morning at ten o'clock at her home.

Nancy had visited her sister,Margaret Hollabaugh in Nebraska, and had stopped on her way home in Auburn, Indiana, and visited brothers and sisters, and other relatives just two months prior to her death. She was held in high esteem by all who knew her.

Her husband, William Harkless Brown, had died in September. He was of Holland parentage. His parents moved to Ashland Co., Ohio from Pennsylvania. He was one of the substantial citizens of Clear Creek, Twp. He was elected District Supervisor of Clear Creek Twp., District 6, and served in that capacity from 1888 to 1891. He was considered a rather frugle person. They lived on the farm, where both of them died, for upwards of forty years. Their farm was about one mile and a half south of Savannah.

Mr. Brown's funeral was conducted on Thursday afternoon at the farm residence September 3rd. A quartet sang and the Reverend Todd preached the funeral message.

Nancy and Hark left seven children and eight grandchildren to mourn them. They were the parents of nine children: Frances M., James E., Oliver Jackson, Minnie Elizabeth, John R., Sarah Margaret, David Warren, William Tully and Alma Fae Brown.

TERRIBLE Accident Overtook Aged Woman

Alone in Farmhouse - Body Enveloped in Flames

Mrs. Nancy Brown, Residing South of Savannah Die's from Effects of Injuries

Body Mass of Burns.

From the effects of burns received the evening before when her clothing caught fire while she was making a fire in a stove in the cellar at her home one mile south of Savannah. Mrs. Nancy Brown, widow of the late William Harkless Brown, died about one o'clock last Friday morning, aged 74 years, 6 months and 18 days.

Mrs. Brown was alone at the farmhouse at the time of the terrible accident. She had started to get supper about 4 o'clock and had gone to the cellar to get some materials for the evening meal. While there she decided to start a fire in a wood stove in order to avoid any danger of the fruit and vegetables freezing. In some way her dress caught fire and being unable to extinguish the flames she fled up the stairs to the kitchen where she renewed her attempts to put out the blaze. But still being unable to do so, she ran out of the house and rolled in the snow under an apple tree 15 or 20 yards from the house. By the time the flames were put out the clothing had all been burned off of her, save for a few charred shreds.

CRAWLING BACK TOWARD HOUSE.

Completely exhausted and suffering intensely, her entire body, except for her feet, a mass of burns, she attempted to get back to the house, crawling on her hands and knees through the snow only to be unable to get the door open. Her path through the snow from the tree to the door was marked by pieces of charred goods and evidences of the awful struggle she had to proceed. With the temperature about zero and steadily growing colder the unfortunate woman lay near the door, conscious but unable to exert enough strength to get into the house.

About five o'clock in the evening, when her son Warren, and the hired man returned from Ashland they found her and every effort was made to save her life but all to no avail. Every attention was given her, Dr. G. W. Jacoby of this city was summoned and upon his arrival dressed her injuries and did all that was possible to do but she steadily grew worse and at one o'clock on Friday morning passed away.

In the kitchen a hole about 3 feet by 4 feet was burned through the linoleum where she had stood and the floor below was charred. All that remained of her garments was a piece of waistband and a small piece of goods at the neck and shoulders and her stockings.

The news of the terrible affair cast a gloom over the entire community. Mrs. Brown was held in highest esteem by all who knew her. She was born in Clear Creek township where her entire life was spent. Her maiden name was Nancy Furnish and she was a daughter of the late David Furnish, one of the pioneer residents of Clear Creek township. She was united in marriage with William Harkless Brown who died last September. Four sons and three daughters survive her, as follows: John near Savannah; Jack, residing north of Ashland; James, of Mansfield; Mrs. Margaret Walker, of near Nova; Mrs. Minnie White living west of Savannah; Mrs. Frank Burge, of Savannah; and Warren, residing on the home farm.

Funeral services, conducted by the Reverend M. E. Todd of the Presbyterian church were held Monday morning at ten o'clock at the home south of Savannah.

(copied from Ashland paper)

3) Frances M. Brown (Frank)
b. 20 Apr. 1861 Savannah, Ohio
m. 5 Sept. 1884
d. 5 Dec. 1915 Savannah, Ohio
cause: Diabetes complications
burial: Savannah Cemetery
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Homemaker

m. Oliver Sidney Burge
b. 18 Apr. 1854 Ashland Co., Ohio
d. 21 Jan. 1900 Savannah, Ohio
cause: Quick Consumption
burial: Savannah Cemetery
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Teacher
son of: Benjamin Machrille & Katharene (McFadden) Burge

Frances M. Brown was born in Clear Creek Twp., Ashland Co., Ohio. In early girlhood she united with the Presbyterian Church in Savannah, and was always a faithful and consistent Christian. She loved God's house and was faithful in her attendance at both the Sunday School and Church services. Even the Sunday preceeding her death, she attended both the A. M. services, and it was fitting that her spirit took it's flight on Sunday morning just as the church bells were calling the congregation to worship.

In 1884 she was united in marriage to Oliver S. Burge, the third son of Benjamin and Katharene Burge. He was a successful teacher in the public schools. He was born in Jackson Twp., Ashland, Ohio, and later with his parents moved to Huron Co. where he grew to manhood. After their marriage they moved to Diamondale, Michigan, where he taught school for thirteen years.

Oliver was a marksman with a gun, much to his wife's dismay he occasionally showed his skill by shooting and hitting the target by firing his pistol while in his pocket. That meant a repair job for Frances! After his death Frances gave this little hand gun to her grandson, Duane Smith, and he cherishes it.

In 1897, on account of his failing health, he returned with his family to Ohio, where he died on 21 January 1900, near Savannah, with quick consumption, at age 46.

Frances remained a widow for fifteen years. She was an active worker in the Missionary Society of her church, packing many missionary barrels etc. She was active in the W. C. T. U. of Savannah; in the Union and the church of her choice. She was in failing health for more than ten years prior to her death, but remained patient in her suffering and considerate of others. She played the organ and enjoyed singing for her own pleasure. She was a good whistler, and went about her work often whistling. She also liked to make Scrap Books.

Her funeral services were held at the Presbyterian Church in Savannah, Tuesday, afternoon, on December 7th, and were conducted by her pastor, the Reverend S. W. Young. Her four brothers: Jack, Jim, John and Warren Brown acted as Pall bearers.

To this union four children were born, all dying in infancy, except the youngest Ruth Alma Burge.

4) Ruth Alma Burge
b. 21 Nov. 1892 Diamonddale, Mich.
m. 5 Sept. 1911 Savannah, Ohio
d. 19 Aug. 1962
cause: Complications following G. B. Surg./Uremia
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Homemaker +

m. John Harrison Fels
b. 9 Sept. 1889 Dearborn, Mich.
d. 27 Aug. 1970
cause:
burial: Savannah Cemetery
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Farmer +
son of: John Jacob & Anna (Buchanan) Fels

Ruth Fels was born in Diamondale, Michigan, coming to Ohio with her parents in 1897, at age fifteen. In 1911 she married John Harrison Fels. They were married in the Savannah Presbyterian Church between 2 and 3 A. M. as they wanted to take their honeymoon in Michigan, and they had to catch the 4 A. M. train.

Ruth was active in the work of the Presbyterian church in Savannah, as well as other local and civic projects. After the 4-H was organized in Clear Creek Twp. under the direction of the County Agent, she was it's first leader. During World War II she served as a "black-out" watcher. She was also active in Extension work; the Farm Bureau and the W. C. T. U. Below is a copy of the award given to her as a neighborhood leader 1942.

> "For Patriotic Service in time of war, this certificate is awarded to Mrs. J. H. Fels. Your cooperation with the Agricultural Extension Service of the Ohio State University through your county Extension Agent in helping your neighbors to participate in war emergency work is a vital contribution to winning the war. You are a part of a nation-wide group of neighborhood leaders mobilized to meet the greatest demands in history. By working together farm people will do their full share to maintain freedom for humanity." Signed: H. C. Ramsower, Director Agricultural Extension Service.

Later in their marriage, Ruth and John, became owners of a 100 acre farm on the edge of the town of Savannah.

John Fels, besides farming, was elected Constable in Clear Creek Twp., for four terms, serving from 1929 to 1941. He served as President of the County Election Board for two years, then served on the the board for many years. He also served as Central Township Committeeman for many years. He was Chief of the Volunteer Fire Dept. in Savannah and served as a trustee of the United Presbyterian Church and as Superintendent of the Sunday School. At the time of his death he was a Trustee of Clear Creek Township. He for many years drove school bus, and his wife was a substitute driver. They were both active Republicans.

In Ruth's earlier years she had attended the Savannah Male and Female Academy for one year, and then one year at Mansfield Business school. She worked for her board and room at a doctor's home and took care of their small daughter, named Mariana. She gave this name to her older daughter as it contained both of her grandmother's names: Mariana Frances.

To this union two daughters were born: Mariana Frances, and Sarah Jean Fels.

5) Mariana Frances Fels
b. 6 Sept. 1912 Savannah, Ohio
m. 14 Nov. 1937 Savannah, Ohio
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Church of Christ
occupation: Homemaker

m. Howard Alfred Smith
b. 21 Dec. 1911 Orange Twp., Ashland
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Church of Christ
occupation: Dairy Farmer
son of: Oliver Leon & Elda Mae (Scott) Smith

Mariana attended grade and high school in Savannah. After graduation she took a one year Home Economics course at Ohio State University. She worked in Savannah for about three years as a telephone operator for the Star Telephone Company. It

was while working in that capacity that she was asked to call a number of Farm Bureau members concerning the meeting. When she called the Oliver Smith residence Mrs. Smith told her they were "sick with the flu, but we will send Howard." This was the first time Mariana and Howard ever met. They were married that same November in the Church of Christ at Stow. They started their married life together at the Smith farm home in Jackson Twp., where they have continued to live. Their farm home has been owned by the family for three generations. Part of the house is 100 years old. They own 94 acres where they live.

Three generations graduated from Polk in the Smith family, Howard, his father, Oliver, and his son Duane.

Mariana says she feels like she has always been in Extension work. Her mother took an active part in it from the beginning. When she was unable to attend, she would send Mariana as her substitute. The lessons have been varied and informative. Examples: sewing machine cleaning, bread baking, fitting of pants, making dress forms, simple electrical appliance repairs, meal planning, making of fabric lamp shades, tailoring, upholstering, kitchen planning, child care, making of games and toys, and furniture refinishing. A pin was received for acting as secretary to the county Home Council, and various offices were held by Mariana in the local club.

In December of 1936 Farm Bureau Councils were being formed in her county to discuss things concerning agriculture. She helped to organize a three-township council in which she was chairman and was the first hostess the following January. This is the meeting where she first met her husband. They were active with this group until their children were of school age. Eight years ago, 1966, they rejoined a council and she has held the position of secretary for two years & a member of the women's committee at the county level for two years. This women's group promoted the sale of beef, pork and milk products at the area food markets. Howard was legislative agent for one term.

The March issue of the Ohio Farm Bureau News of 1937 contained her essay entitled "Cooperative Recreation in the Farm Bureau Program". It was entered in the Verna Elsinger Memorial Essay Contest. It won first in the Northeast district of Ohio and placed fourth in the State Finals. This awarded her a scholarship to the National Cooperative Recreational College at Des Moines, Iowa that summer.

In 1961 Ohio's Highway Safety Director presented silver trays at a luncheon to four families who were district winners in the Ohio Safety Farm Family competition. The award was made during Health and Safety Day at the State Fair. They were the winners in the N. E. district for doing the most to promote safety in the home, farm and community.

Mariana joined a 4-H Club when she was only ten years of age, with canning as her first project. Cold packing was a new process then, as most foods were canned the open kettle method. Her club was selected to put an exhibit at the State Fair, and then went on to a national exhibition where their cans of fruit, vegetables and meat were sent. (Chicago) After high school she became a 4-H advisor for five years, and coached two single and three team demonstrators that won in the county and went on to the state level. For several years she was recreational director at their county week-long 4-H camps. She aided in organizing a senior group of 4-H ers for social activities and taught play-party games.

Five years ago, (1971) both Mariana and Howard received their 25 year certificates and pins for continuous membership in the Jackson Subordinate Grange. They are members of Ashland County Pomona and of the State Grange. Mariana has held the offices of Grace, Lady Assistant Steward, member of the Committee on Women's Activities of the Grange and Lecturer of Pomona. Howard has served as assistant steward and has been on the Executive Committee. For a number of years Mariana labeled the Grange exhibits at the county fair and has worked in their lunch stand. Several contests

have been entered, sponsored by the grange. She managed to win a blue ribbon at the county level for baking bread.

They are active members of the Polk Church of Christ. This church celebrated it's 70th anniversary in January 1976. Howard's father Oliver was able to be present. He is 89 and remembers the building and dedication of the church. In fact he had helped in the digging of the basement with horses and a dump scraper. Mariana has held many positions in the church as: Superintendent, and teacher in the Jr. Dept.; Asst. S. S. Supt.; Treasurer of the Building Fund; and Deaconess. She also worked in the Daily Vacation Bible School for many years; teaching classes as well as leading in the recreation. Their home has always been open to Sunday School parties and church guests.

Mariana's hobbies are sewing, knitting, quilting, hooking rugs, braiding rugs, embroidery, weaving on small loom, applique, dabbling in ceramics, and other crafts. She enjoys cooking, baking, and preserving food. They have registered Jersey Cattle and have kept a large herd for many years. They plan to semi-retire by the end of 1976 by reducing their herd by two thirds.

Mariana has kept a diary for 46 years. She has made endless posters, and has been in school, church and Farmers' Institute plays (not because of talent she says, but because she is willing). She enjoys compiling family history with pictures.

To this union two children were born: Duane Leon and Roma Jean Smith.

6) Duane Leon Smith
b. 12 June 1939 Ashland, Ohio
m. 8 Dec. 1961 Homerville, Ohio
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Church of the Brethren
occupation: Carpet Layer

m. Nancy Geiger
b. 3 May 1942
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Church of the Brethren
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Forest K. & Mary (Pinski) Geiger

Duane Smith graduated from Polk High School in 1957 and went to work at Krogers as a meat cutter immediately. In school he belonged to 4-H and had many projects: pigs and registered Jersey calves; he was on the judging team for dairy cattle at Ohio State Fair; an advisor; in Jr. Leadership he was awarded a trip to W. Virginia. He also took milk samples for testing and made out reports for dairymen.

Duane and Nancy Geiger were married in the West Homerville Church of the Brethren 8 December 1961.

He enlisted in the U. S. Army, January 1962, and served for three years as mechanical repairman. Most of his military service was spent in Texas although he was sent to Georgia during the Cuban crisis and helped to drive a fleet of trucks to California for maneuvers called "Operation Desert Strike."

He is employed by Gilbert Furniture Store in Ashland, Ohio, (a 100 year old establishment) as a carpet layer. He is a breeder of Beagle dogs and a member of Northern Ohio Beagle Club. His other interests are hunting, fishing, archery, barbeque cooking, swimming, photography and he raises rabbits. He has served on the Town Council, and is now on Board of Public Affairs of West Salem. Now (1976) he is a student of Business Administration of Wooster Business School Branch at Medina.

In high school he made 4 cedar chests and a gun cabinet. Since marriage he has added a breezeway and garage to their home, doing the work himself. He re-did their second bathroom also.

Nancy was a 4-H member for 5 years. Her projects included clothing, gardening, freezing goods etc. She graduated from Homerville in the last class before consolidating into Black River school district. Her class took a trip to Washington D. C. upon graduation. Before her marriage she was an IBM operator for Ohio Farmers Ins. Co. In church she helps with V. D. S, teaches Jr. Church, Assistant teacher for small children, Secy. of WMC and is Statistician of the church. She also runs a babysitting service. Her hobies are sewing, gardening, and she makes molded candy mints and molded chocolate candies for special occasions.

Duane and Nancy are the parents of three children: Debra Jane, Tracie Lyn, and Wendy Lee Smith.

7) Debra Jane Smith
b. 11 Aug. 1962 Ft. Hood, Texas
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Church of the Brethren
occupation: Student 9th grade (1976-77)

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Debra Smith is in her 3rd year in 4-H club. She is president this year (1976) with projects in sewing, child care and 1st year for rabbits. She has attended church camps, VBS and this year will be an aid to a teacher. She attended Brethren National Youth conferences at Goshen College, and St. Mary's College in Indiana. She was baptized in 1969 and taken into membership of the Homerville Church of the Brethren. She plays flute and piccolo. In the eighth grade she made a 194 page scrapbook on the history of Ohio. She recieved an A++. She signed up for marching band this year. She collects napkins as a hobby. She attends Northwestern High School.

7) Tracie Lyn Smith
b. 27 June 1964 Ft. Hood, Texas
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Church of the Brethren
occupation: Student

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

Tracie Smith is the only one with red hair in the family, it is a lovely auburn, she has participated in spelling bees and was a contestant in a Princess contest at church. She has made a scrapbook to be displayed at county fair with school exhibit this fall (1976). She attends church camps and VBS. She was baptized 3 Dec. 1972 and taken into membership at the Homerville Church of the Brethren. She is in Jr. Hi. this fall. She plays a clarinet and as a hobby collects napkins. She attends Congress Junior High School.

7) Wendy Lee Smith 23 Dec. 1969 m.
b. ~~1 Apr. 1948~~ Ohio b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: occupation:
occupation: Student grade 1 (1976-77) son of:

Wendy Smith is a first grader at West Salem Elementary School. She has taken 3 trips to Indiana and one to Michigan with her parents and enjoyed Sea World. She has a napkin collection started for a hobby.

6) Roma Jean Smith m. Larry Kent Bantz
b. 1 Apr. 1948 b. 30 Sept. 1939 Ravenna, Ohio
m. 9 Aug. 1975 Polk, Ohio d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: Church of Christ/U. Methodist occupation: Mechanic/Maintenance
occupation: Head Cashier/Homemaker son of:
Baptized: 6 Apr. 1958

At age 6 Roma Smith became a member of the Jackson Juvenile grange and entered many contests. She made an ABC scrapbook of animals that won First locally; a Safety scrapbook that won in the State contest; An Ohio history scrapbook (5 in. thick) won in State and was sent to California for National Grange Convention. She joined the subordinate grange at age 16 and Pomona grange. She held the office of Pomona Grace (1968-69; Lecturer--Juvenile (1959-1961); represented Ashland Co. in Princess contest at 1965 State Grange convention; and through a sponsored tour (grange) she went through the New England states and Eastern Canada via Niagara Falls (1974). She entered the Dairy Princess contest in 1966 and won honorable mention. Through Jr. Leadership Training she earned a trip to Club Congress held at Columbus and a Washington D. C. trip in 1964 and 1966 respectively.

Let's Sew was her first project at age 10. Each year thereafter one to three projects were taken (total 17). The last was tailoring a spring coat and making a matching hat.

After graduation from Mapleton High School (Polk High School ceased when the schools of the area consolidated) Roma worked six weeks at Cresco Sportswear Inc., and then started as a part time clerk at Penneys during the holidays. She became Supervisor of catalog (a new department put in the store) and now is employed as head cashier at the Ashland store.

Roma has a lovely singing voice and does solo work. She was very active in her home church often directing the congregational singing. She attended VBS both at Polk and Savannah for a number of years as a student, and years later was a music director and teacher at Polk.

She and Larry Bantz were married in the Polk Church of Christ on 9 August 1975. She sesigned and made her own wedding dress. It was of white linen with lace and trimmed with seed pearls.

For their wedding trip, Larry and Roma went to Niagara Falls and up into Canada to Kingston. They took a boat cruise around Thousand Islands. They are now living near Paradist Hill.

Larry graduated from Nova High School in 1958. He was a member of F. F. A. for 4 years. He is interested in antique tractors and in repairing of them. He also likes gardening, auction sales, watching auto racing and is fond of St. Bernard dogs. He has worked as a garage mechanic but is presently employed as a maintenance worker for the Ashland city schools.

5) Sarah Jean Fels
b: 15 June 1924
m: 9 May 1943
d:
cause:
burial:
church: First Methodist, New London, O.
occupation: Secretary/Designer

m. Leonard Lawrence Frederick
b: 1 May 1925
d:
cause:
burial:
church: First Methodist, New London, O.
occupation: Supervisor
son of: Warren Anthony & Anna E. (Haller) Frederick

Jean graduated from Savannah High School, and works as a designer for McKee Advertising at New London, Ohio. While Leonard was in the service she was a receptionist and secretary for a physician/surgeon. She has worked for the Norman A. McKee Co. for 21 years. She also writes radio commercials. Leonard is a veteran of the South Pacific, serving in the Netherland East Indies, New Guinea, the Philippine Islands. He also served in Korea. 1943-1946

Leonard is supervisor of Traffic at the Good Year Tire & Rubber Company in the Ashland Adhesive plant. He and Jean are both collectors of antiques. Leonard has a collection of antique wood tools and has 300 wood planes, as well as a gun collection. He has won 11 golfing trophies, and is a member of the local Lions club. They hope someday to have their own "Auction Barn" and have weekly auctions. In fact Leonard graduated from auctioneer school the 4th of December 1974.

They first lived in Mansfield, then New London, and now Savannah. They live in a lovely farm home on the edge of Savannah, formerly owned by her parents. The farm has quite a history to it since it has been in the family for three generations. It goes something like this:

Jean and Mariana'a grandfather, John Jacob Fels was born in Oldenburg, Germany and was one of 13 children, 12 boys and 1 girl. He came to the new world at the age of ten with his parents and family. On the way across the father died, and was buried at sea. They landed in New York city, and somehow John became lost from his mother and family, and they never found him. Somehow he made it on his own. He had three wives, and all died except their grandmother who outlived him. At the time of their marriage, he lived at Pikes Peak, Michigan, and her address was Savannah. They sold his place and moved to Savannah, on the farm Jean and Leonard now live. Their grandfather died of pneumonia when their father John Harrison Fels was nine years old, and was buriedin the Newburgh cemetery near Wayne, Michigan. Later on their grandmother was buried there along side of the other two wives and husband.

In the same cemetery are the graves of her two small brothers whom she saw drown in the river, when she was a child. Harrison and his mother somehow managed to make it on their own by farming. Grandmother was a tailor for men's clothing. At the time of Harrison's marriage he took over the management of the farm. At the time of his mother's death, 18 years later, Harrison settled his fathers estate, and bought the farm. He had had three half-sisters, two of which were deceased. Harrison secured a clear title to the farm. After the death of Ruth and Harrison Fels, Jean and Leonard bought the farm, and have been busy since remodeling the house. Jean is very artistic, and so they are doing a lovely job of it, blending their many antiques with the new.

They are the parents of three daughters: Alma Charlene, Carol Jean, and Cynthia Lynn Frederick.

6) Alma Charlene Frederick
b: 30 Nov. 1943
m: 21 Mar. 1964
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Wesleyan
occupation: Secretary/Homemaker

m. Larry Allen Robertson
b: 7 Mar. 1944
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Wesleyan
occupation: Heavy Equipment operator
Certified Welder
son of: Raymond & Christine (Daron) Robertson

Charlene and Larry both graduated from New London High school. Charlene attended Ohio University at Athens, Ohio and was a member of Sigma Kappa Sorority. Their first home was in Salem, Oregon where they lived for six years. Larry has loved heavy construction equipment all his life, and is able to pursue his interest as an operator. Charlene worked as a secretary for three orthopedic surgeons for several years and intermitantly took some further college courses and some art classes. She is now painting china and glass lamp shades, and uses oils and acrylics on different mediums. Both were active in the Wesleyan church and each taught Jr. High Sunday School classes. They now reside in New London, Ohio. They are the parents of two daughters: Shawn F., and Stacy R. Robertson. They bought the South Lot of her parents farm and built a new home, moving to Savannah in fall of 1977.

7) Shawn F. Robertson
b: 17 June 1968
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) Stacy R. Robertson
b: 3 June 1970
m:
d:
cause:
burial:

m.
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:

church:
occupation:

occupation:
son of:

6) Carol Jean Frederick
b: 10 Mar. 1949
m: 15 Mar. 1969
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Bethel Baptist, Savannah
occupation: Homemaker/Secretary

m. Bobbie Case
b: 14 July 1948
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Bethel Baptist, Savannah
occupation: Carpenter
son of: Hassel & Hazel (Collins) Case.

Carol and Bobbie both graduated from New London High School. He is a Vietnam Veteran. Bob is a carpenter for Pavi Co. Elyria, Ohio. Carol likes to cook, and sings in the church choir. She has worked as a secretary for a doctor, a bank and presently for F. E. Myres & Bro. Co.; makers of water systems, pumps, sprayers etc. They are the parents of two children; Angela Renee and April Rochelle Case.

7) Angela Renee Case
b: 24 July 1969
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) April Rochelle Case
b: 26 Oct. 1971
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Cynthia Lynn Frederick
b: 15 Aug. 1957
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Sales Lady

m.
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Cynthia is a student at Crestview High School, in her Junior year. She is a Honor student, and takes ballet and jazz lessons at Mansfield. She plays the saxophone. (She graduated June 1976 and is working as a sales lady in a ladies apparel shop in Ashland, Ohio.) Late 1976 note.

3) James E. Brown
b: 6 Feb. 1863
m:
d: 1938
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Farmer

m. Martha E.
b:
d: 1942
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of:

Jim was a farmer, they lived near Mansfield, Ohio. Martha became mentally ill in 1911 and was hospitalized, she did not recover and died there in 1942. They had no children.

3) Oliver Jackson Brown (Jack)
b: 2 Sept. 1866
m: 25 Dec. 1893
d: 17 Nov. 1936
cause: Bright's Disease
burial: Savannah
church: Savannah Methodist
occupation: Farmer

m. Stella Frizzell
b: 1867
d: 1933
cause: Diabetes
burial: Savannah
church: Savannah Methodist
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Elmer & Rhoda (Crawford) Frizzell

Jack and Stella were married on Christmas Day at the home of the bride's parents by the Reverend A. F. Upp, and left the same day for a honeymoon in Michigan. Jack was a farmer. He also served as District Supervisor of District 9. He was elected to that office April 6, 1896. They were the parents of three children: Rhea Alden, Pauline and David Earl Brown.

4) Rhea Alden Brown
b: 30 Apr. 1904
m: 4 Nov. 1926
d: 4 Aug. 1972
cause: Cancer
burial: Ashland
church: Savannah Methodist
occupation: Homemaker

m. J. Doty Emmons
b: 23 Nov. 1904
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Savannah Methodist
occupation: Farmer
son of: George & Martha (Doty) Emmons

Rhea was active in Extension work where she taught chair caneing. She was Supervisor of the County Fair Woman's building, belonged to the Garden Club, the County Health Board, the Cornelian Club, as well as the Savannah Methodist Church. She was handy with her hands: crocheting, bead work, embroidery, basket weaving, sewing, flower arranging, and made Christmas arrangements with pine cones and nuts. They were the parents of two children: Rosemary Louise and James Wendel Emmons. Rhea died in Samaritan Hospital. Funeral at Gilbert Funeral Home. Rev. Burward Hayes and Rev. Kline officiated.

5) Rosemary Louise Emmons
b: 24 Nov. 1927
m: 28 Oct. 1948
d:
cause:

m. Robert Eugene Hess
b: 28 Dec. 1925
d:
cause:
burial:

burial:
church: Dickey Church of the Brethren
occupation: Teacher/Homemaker

church: Dickey Church of the Brethren
occupation: Farmer
son of: Howard & Helen (Gongwer) Hess

They belong to Farm Bureau. They have a dairy farm as well as raise beef cattle, and do crop farming. Robert attended Ohio State University, served in the Army and spent one year in Korea. Rosemary takes an active part in the work of the church. They have five boys, active in sports of all kinds; Stephen Robert, Stanley Eugene, Douglas Emmons, James Howard and Philip Duane Hess.

6) Stephen Robert Hess
b: 8 Apr. 1950
m: 18 Feb. 1977 Ashland, Ohio
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: farms with his father

m. Katherine A. Hayes
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of: Rev. Durward E. Hayes & Isobel (Hood) Hayes.

Stephen graduated from Ohio State University, majoring in Agriculture 1972 with B in Dairy Science. Katherine grad. 1974 from Taylor Univ. 1976-77 is a Sr. at Med College of Ohio Toledo. They were married in the Dickey Church of the Brethren, by her father; assist by the Rev. Henry Kronmeyer.

6) Stanley Eugene Hess
b: 27 Aug. 1951
m:
b:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Douglas Emmons Hess
b: 21 Dec. 1954
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) James Howard Hess
b: 3 Oct. 1958
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:

m.
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

occupation: dau. of:

6) Phillip Duane Hess m.
b: 21 Sept. 1960 b:
m: d:
d: cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: occupation:
occupation: dau. of:

5) James Wendel Emmons m. Marilyn Rice
b: 28 July 1930 b: 20 Aug. 1928
m: 22 Oct. 1949 d:
d: cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church: United Methodist
church: United Methodist occupation: Homemaker
occupation: Farmer dau. of: W. F. & Mabel (Greer) Rice

Jim raises beef cattle, and does crop farming. He has been a member of the Y.M., County Fair board, basket ball referee for 18 years, member of Farm Bureau, Production Credit, the City Planning Commission, and has served on his church board, as well as church usher. Marilyn enjoys knitting, and horses as an out of doors hobby. They are the parents of five children: Judith Ellen, Billy, Richard James, and Randel Lee, twins, then Rebecca Emmons. 1975 appointed to the Ashland Bd. of Ed. He is Parent Rep. to Ashland College student affairs policy com. He has served as P.T.A. Pres. & past Pres of City P.T.A. Council

6) Judith Ellen Emmons 1. m. Cary Blumling
b: 5 Jan. 1951 b:
m: 29 Aug. 1970 d:
d: cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: occupation:
occupation: Secy. City Parks & Rec. son of:

2 m. Steve Pemberton

6) Billy Emmons m.
b: 22 Sept. 1952 b:
m: Sept. 1952 d:
d: cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: occupation:
occupation: dau. of:

Billy only lived 6 hours.

6) Richard James Emmons (twin) m.

b: 30 May 1954
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Richard Emmons is with his father as a partner in the farming business.

6) Randel Lee Emmons (twin) m. Susan Lynn Keste

b: 30 May 1954
m: 13 Aug. 1977, U. Meth. Ch., Ashland
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: farms with his father

b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Teacher
dau. of: James H. and Joyce ( ) K

Randel Emmons is a student at Ashland Jr. College (1975-6 a star player in Varsity Basketball. Susan Grad. Miami Univ, 1976. Is Elem. Teacher in Ashland.

6) Rebecca Emmons m.

b: 27 Sept. 1959
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Sophomore Ashland Hi 1975-6

b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

4) Pauline Brown

b: 11 Apr. 1905
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Housekeeper

Pauline never married, and after the death of her sister Rhea, she went to keep house for her brother-in-law J. Doty Emmons. She is a hard worker, and loves the out-of-doors, and the farm animals, especially the baby calves.

4) David Earl Brown

b: 1894
d: 1916

cause: Double Pneumonia
burial: Savannah, Ohio
church:
occupation: School teacher

David taught school at Spring Lake near Savannah. He died at age 22 of pneumonia and was not married.

3) Minnie Elizabeth Brown
b: 25 June 1868
m: 28 Dec. 1892
d: 19 Mar. 1935
cause: Cancer
burial: Savannah, Ohio
church: Methodist Episcopal
occupation: Homemaker

m. Theodore O. White
b: 17 Mar. 1867 Richland Co.
d: 1939
cause:
burial: Savannah, Ohio
church: Methodist Episcopal
occupation: Farmer
son of: Jack & White ( )

"Married Wednesday evening, December 27, 1892 at the residence of the bride were Theodore White and Minnie Brown. The wedding was a quiet one, only the immediate friends of the parties were present. The happy couple received many useful and beautiful gifts. After the ceremony by the Reverend A. F. Upp, a bountiful supper was served and the guests, from all accounts, did ample justice to it. The gossips have been predicting this wedding for several months but it came at a time when no one had predicted." (Copied from a newspaper clipping.)

Minnie was an artist, and did paintings. She lived in Ashland County all her life. Theodore was a resident of Ashland Co. for 32 years. He died at his home 2½ miles west of Savannah. He had been in failing health for several months, but was confined to his bed only five days. They were the parents of four children: Howard McKinley, Harold, Irvin Grant and Helen Elizabeth White. Funeral services for Mr. White were conducted at the home of his son, Harold, by the Rev. T. K. MacDonald.

4) Howard McKinley White
b: 10 Sept. 1893
d: 4 May 1907
cause: Accidental gunshot wound
burial: Savannah, Ohio
church: Methodist Episcopal

Howard and his brother Harold were out hunting. Harold went back to the house for something, and when he returned, he found his brother lying on the ground. He was still alive and his last words were "take the cartridges out of the gun!" His obituary said he was a real boy, with boys' interests, with a boy's plans and hope. He loved to play, and his playmates loved to play with him. But he showed an interest in work as well as play; While he was a boy, he gave promise of the man, and to his parents his companionship and trustworthiness were a great comfort. The manner of his death was unusual. Not often does the child fall as by the lightning's stroke, and in the monent of his death there were words spoken, most remarkable words that told of an unselfish spirit. His funeral was on May 6th. The Reverend H. F. Kerr officiated. (Copied from newspaper clipping.)

4) Harold Leroy White
b. 6 Feb. 1895
m. 22 Dec. 1923
d. 1965
cause:
burial:
chruch: Methodist Episcopal
occupation: Farmer

m. Marie Tucker
b. 20 June 1904
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist Episcopal
occupation: Homemaker/Clerk
dau. of: Charles & Louella (Backento) Tucker

Harold farmed the home place. Marie worked as a clerk for fifteen years at Moore's Grocery, she now works part time at the Post Office. They were members of the church in Savannah.

They were the parents of three children: Norman Wayne, Delores Arlene and Ted Elden White.

5) Norman Wayne White
b. 21 Nov. 1924
m. 15 Apr. 1947
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Chemical Plant

m. Virginia Mae Racer
b. 8 Jan. 1930
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker/Shop
dau. of:

Norman works for Hess and Clark, Inc. manufacturers of disinfectants, insecticides, livestock and poultry health products. Their research farm is located east of Ashland. Virginia works at Cresco Mfg. Co. They manufacture leather jackets and sportswear for men and boys. They are the parents of four children: Ronald Wayne, Laura Lou, Angela Sue and Debra Kay White.

6) Ronald Wayne White
b. 6 Dec. 1947
m. 28 June 1966
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Farmer

m. Charlotte Ann Miller
b. 20 May 1947
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker/Beautician
dau. of: Meredith E. & Dora J. ( ) Miller

Ronald is a farmer and Charlotte is a beautician and has her shop in their home. They are the parents of two children: Jerrod Allen and Gavin Michael White.

7) Jerrod Allen White
b. 9 Jan. 1974
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

7) Gavin Michael White
b. 24 Feb. 1975
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

6) Laura Lou White
b. 2 Mar. 1952
m. 15 June 1970
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Gerry Ralph Bowman
b. 12 Apr. 1951
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

They are the parents of two children: Adam Christopher and Rhonda Lynn Bowman.

7) Adam Christopher Bowman
b. 30 Oct. 1970
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

7) Rhonda Lynn Bowman
b. 18 July 1974
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Angela Sue White
b. 31 May 1953
m. 2 Feb. 1970
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Sam G. Garziniti
b. 24 July 1952
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Angela and Sam were divorced in 1973. They are the parents of one daughter: Nicki Garziniti.

7) Nicki Lynn Garziniti
b. 18 July 1970
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Debra Kay White
b. 6 Mar. 1959
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Delores Arlene White
b. 12 Aug. 1930
m. 26 Dec. 1950
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker/Teacher

m. Kenneth Albert Burns
b. 6 Dec. 1929
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Printer
son of: Kenneth & Geraldine (Reynolds) Burns

While Delores was trying to earn an A in a graduate economics course, she devised a game which not only earned an A but brought her a third place award in the International Paper Co. Foundation's 14th annual awards program for the teaching of economics.

Mrs. Burns, seventh and eighth grade science and math teacher at Crestview Jr. Hi was working on her master's degree. As a final assignment in a course, she was to submit a paper or a game. She devised a game of poverty, which was designed as

a learning game to help 7th, 8th, and 9th graders understand poverty problems.

Mrs. Burns sent her game to the Joint Council on Economic Education and received a check and a plaque from the council, the foundation and the committee of judges in New York.

Her materials have been submitted for consideration to the editor of Economic Education Experiences of Enterprising Teachers and to the National Depository of Economic Education Awards Materials at the Ohio University Center for Economic Education. Teachers throughout the nation will be able to borrow these materials through the interlibrary system.

Besides teaching and caring for the home Delores enjoys ceramics and chrocheting. Kenneth is a printer at the Ashland Times. To this union two children were born: Mark Alan and Patricia Ann Burns.

6) Mark Alan Burns
b. 28 May 1952
d. 26 Mar. 1975
cause: Motorcycle Accident
burial: Savannah Cemetery
church: United Methodist
occupation: College Student

Mark Burns was born at Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas. He had lived in Ashland County most of his life. He was a member of the Savannah United Mehtodist Church. He had graduated from Crestview High School in 1970 and Wittenberg University with a bachelor of arts in biology in 1974.

During his summer vacations he was employed at F. E. Myers & Bro. Co. and Samaritan Hospital.

In September 1974 he attended Outward Bound Survival School in Lake City, Colo.

A member of Phi Mu Delta Fraternity, he had made application to Union Graduate School for Antioch College working toward a humanities program.

Mark died shortly after 3 a. m. Wednesday at Sarasota Memorial Hospital as the result of injuries he suffered in a motorcycle accident. A passenger on the motorcycle, Janet Saligoe, 23, of Sarasota, was also killed in the accident. According to the Sarasota Police Department, Burns was traveling at a high rate of speed and failed to negotiate a right turn at an intersection. He lost control of the motorcycle, which slammed into a tree.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Saturday at Denbow-Primm Funeral Home with the Reverend Robert Snyder officiating. Burial was in Savannah Cemetery.

6) Patricia Ann Burns
b. 4 Jan. 1956
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: College Student (1975-76)

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Patricia is a sophomore at Miami University.

5) Ted Elden White
b. 20 Mar. 1928
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Carpenter

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

4) Irvin Grant White
b. 20 Dec. 1896
m. 28 Apr. 1922
d. 3 Jan. 1978
cause:
burial: Savannah Cemetery
church: United Methodist
occupation: Farmer

m. Mary Margaret Eubank
b. 7 Jan. 1897
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: R. B. & Emma (Sutton) Eubank

Grant and Mary were married in her father's home in Ashland, Ohio, by the Reverend Ward of Savannah. In 1972 they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with Open House at the Savannah United Methodist fellowship hall. Their farm is located near Savannah. They are the parents of four sons: Irvin Grant, Jr.; Robert Lee, David Paul, and Loren Dean White. Mr. Mr. White farmed in the Savannah all his married life. Past Pres Savannah School Board.

5) Irvin Grant White, Jr.
b. 1 Sept. 1923
m. 18 Oct. 1947
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Farmer

m. Margaret Jane Cross
b. 2 Jan. 1922
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: John & Lena (Staugger) Cross

Irvin and Margaret live near Savannah on Township Road 856, on the home place, they are dairy farmers, and members of the Farm Bureau. Margaret enjoys cooking, gardening, and sewing. She is the representative for the faithful farmers council of the Farm Bureau and is an active member of the United Methodist Church in Savannah. They are the parents of four sons: David Paul, Charles William, Wayne Irvin and Larry James White.

6) David Paul White
b. 15 June 1949
m. 19 Dec. 1971
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Farmer

m. Jane Hutson
b. 15 Mar. 1949
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker/Teacher
dau of: Robert & Forest (Banks) Hutson

David did work for Sarver Paving Co., Ashland, Ohio, but now owns a farm on Middle Rowsburg Road, and has hopes of becoming a farmer. Jane teaches second grade. Both graduated from Ohio State University in 1972.

They are the parents of one son, Travis Luke White.

7) Travis Luke White
b.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Charles William White
b. 21 Sept. 1951
m. 21 Dec. 1974
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation:

m. Laura Beck
b. 2 May 1953
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Homemaker/Secretary
dau. of: Robert & Ruth (Rohrer) Beck

Charles graduated from Ashland College in June of 1974. Laura works at Ashland College as a secretary.

6) Wayne Irvin White
b. 14 Nov. 1955
m. 2 Oct. 1977, Savannah U. Presby. Church.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Farmer

m. Alycia Gray
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of: Levi and ( ) Gray

Wayne graduated from Crestview High School in 1973 and is farming with his father.

6) Larry James White
b. 23 Apr. 1956
m. 9 Nov. 1974
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist

m. Cindy White
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: St. Edwards
dau. of: Edward & Kae (Reid) White

Larry graduated from Crestview High School in 1974.

5) Robert Lee White
b. 27 Mar. 1927
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Back Hoe Operator

m. Dorothy Sara Kegel
b. 8 Oct. 1928
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Frank & Katherine (Buffington) Kegel

Robert works with heavy equipment, Dorothy is a Volunteer Red Cross worker. They are the parents of four children: Kenneth Dean, Dale Edward, James Robert and Gary Richard White.

6) Kenneth Dean White
b. 21 Sept. 1955
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Ken grad. Crestview Hi Sc. Nat. Hon. Soc., F.F.A. 9 yrs. in baby beef, Varsity club, track & cross country. 1st receipient of Norm P. Arburn Scholarship in Eng. at Akron U.

6) Dale Edward White
b. 6 Feb. 1957
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) James Robert White
b. 14 Feb. 1959
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Gary Richard White
b. 9 Mar. 1968
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) David Paul White
b. 12 Apr. 1930
m. 18 Nov. 1960
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist

m. Jean L. Clinker
b. 30 Sept. 1941
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
dau. of: Lee & Evelyn (Stark) Clinker

Paul works in the shipping department of the Cresco Mfg. Co. (They make leather jackets and sportswear for men and boys). Jean is Librarian in the Savannah School. They are the parents of one son, Michael Paul White.

6) Michael Paul White
b. 4 Aug. 1962
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Loren Dean White
b. 9 Jan. 1933
m. 24 Aug. 1957
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist:
occupation: I.B.M. Programmer

m. Helen Workman
b. 4 Sept. 1934
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker/Librarian
dau. of: Clarence & Evelyn (Jarvis) Workman

Helen was Librarian at the Pleasant Street School in Ashland now she works at the Ashland Bank & Savings in the Loan Dept., Ashland, Ohio.(1976) Dean and Helen are the parents of two children: Stephanie Jane and Toben Dean White.

6) Stephanie Jane White
b. 24 June 1961
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Toben Dean White
b. 12 Apr. 1964
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

4) Helen Elizabeth White
b. 16 Apr. 1899
m. 23 Dec. 1923
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation:

m. Raymond Willis Boothby
b. 16 June 1901
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation:
son of:

As a child Helen had Spinal Meningitis and recovered without ill effects. She had nurses training. They are both retired now. They are the parents of two children: Raymond Willis, Jr., and Donna Eileen Boothby.

5) Raymond Willis Boothby, Jr.
b. 16 Oct. 1924
m. 31 July 1947
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Betty Joanne Chatlain
b. 3 July 1928
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

They are the parents of two children: Sandra Lee and James Stephen Boothby.

6) Sandra Lee Boothby
b: 26 Nov. 1948
m: 29 Aug. 1969
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Michael Scott Bartko
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

They are the parents of one son: Scott Michael Bartko

7) Scott Michael Bartko
b: 27 Nov. 1969
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) James Stephen Boothby
b: 29 July 1951
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Donna Eileen Boothby
b: 8 June 1928
m: 5 June 1948
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Frederick William Weiland
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

They are the parents of four children: Frederick William, Jr., Jimmy Lloyd, Billy Ray, and Vicky Lynn Weiland.

6) Frederick William Weiland, Jr.
b: 30 Mar. 1949
m: 20 Mar. 1970
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Judith Ann Rose Conry
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Fred and Judy are the parents of two children: Diane Rose and Thomas Frederick Weiland.

7) Diane Rose Weiland
b. 9 May 1971
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) Thomas Frederick Weiland
b.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Jimmy Lloyd Weiland
b. 6 Dec. 1950
m. 21 June 1969
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Charlotte Marie Cluckey
b. 6 Mar. 1953
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

They are the parents of two sons: Jimmy Lloyd, Jr., and Danny Lee Weiland.

7) Jimmy Lloyd Weiland, Jr.
b. 14 Oct. 1969
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

7) Danny Lee Weiland
b. 29 Sept. 1974
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Billy Ray Weiland
b. 14 Sept. 1953
m. 16 Sept. 1972
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Factory

m. Patricia Lowry
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

They are the parents of one daughter: Delight Lee Weiland.

7) Delight Lee Weiland
b. 12 July 1973
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Vicky Lynn Weiland
b. 24 June 1957
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

3) John R. Brown
b. 27 Sept. 1870 Savannah, Ohio
m. 29 Jan. 1904
d. Feb. 1938
cause: Diabetes
burial: Nankin, Ohio
church:
occupation: Farmer

m. Lillie Umbaugh
b. 1871
d. 1953
cause:
burial: Nankin, Ohio
church:
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: David & Umbaugh ( )

John and Lillie were married on Thursday evening at six p. m. in the home of the bride, by Elder L. H. Dickey of Alvada, Ohio, uncle of the bride. Over 40 guests were present, including John's uncle and aunt, James and Ida Furnish and their son David, from Auburn, Indiana. John played the violin very well. They had no children.

3) Sarah Margaret Brown
b. 12 Aug. 1872 Savannah, Ohio
m. 29 Dec. 1898
d. 6 Nov. 1946
cause: Arteriosclerosis
burial: Savannah, Ohio
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker/Teacher

m. Frank Henry Walker
b. 1 Oct. 1872
d. 4 July 1953
cause:
burial: Savannah, Ohio
church: United Methodist
occupation: Teacher/Farmer
son of: Joseph & Jenny (Bishop) Walker

They were married at 6:00 P. M. by the Reverend Smead, of the Presbyterian church. Sarah was married in cream cashmere, Frank wore black evening dress. Tuth Burge and Mabel Walker were flower girls. The groom's father rendered music on his violin. To this union two children were born: Gladys May and Kenneth Walker.

4) Gladys May Walker
b. 6 Sept. 1903
m. 10 Sept. 1933
d. 15 Nov. 1963
cause: Cancer
burial: Savannah, Ohio
church: Church of the Brethren
occupation: Homemaker/Teacher

m. Ralph Hassinger
b. 6 Oct. 1906
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist:
occupation: Garage Owner
son of: LaVern & Frances Mary (Stauffer) Hassinger

Gladys was a member of the D. A. R. To this union two children were born: Ellis Lee and Mary Margaret Hassinger.

2 m. Josephine

They own Hassinger Shell Station, Savannah, Ohio (Bailey Lakes) Clear Creek Twp.

5) Ellis Lee Hassinger
b. 31 July 1936
m. 26 Aug. 1956
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Teacher

m. Manoke Riddle
b. 6 Apr. 1935
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Beautician/Teacher
dau. of: Alpha & Madeline (Roberts) Riddle

Ellis graduated from Ruggles-Troy High School, worked 12 years as a garage mechanic with his father then taught 4 years at Shelby Vocational School teaching Auto Mechanics. He is now teaching at Ashland County-West Holmes Joint Vocational School.

Manoke graduated from Ruggles-Troy High School & Riggs LaMar Cosmetology. She taught at Pioneer Joint Vocational School, and now is teaching Jr. Cosmetology at Ashland County-West Joint Vocational School. They both enjoy boating, camping and swimming as well as both round and square dancing. They are the parents of three children: Todd , Timothy , and Mindy Hassinger.

6) Todd Hassinger
b. 18 June 1962
m
d
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Timothy Hassinger
b. 22 Apr. 1960
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Mindy Hassinger
b. 10 May 1966
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Mary Margaret Hassinger
b. 13 Apr. 1944
m. 8 Aug. 1965
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:Homemaker/Teacher

m. Joseph Glasser
b. 10 Sept. 1943
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of: Joseph F. & Arlene (Lichty) Glasser

Joseph was in the National Guard from 1964-1970, Rank Sgt. E 5. He helped in the Huff Riots in Cleveland, Ohio. They have one daughter: Lisa Beth Glasser.

6) Lisa Beth Glasser
b. 2 June 1972
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Kenneth Walker
b. 10 Aug. 1907
m. 10 Aug. 1930
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Teacher/Shipping Clerk

m. Arguel Nickols
b. 5 Nov. 1910
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Piano/Organ Teacher
dau. of: Newton Jay & Marie Lois (Reed) Nickols

Kenneth first taught school, but for the last 25+ years he has worked in the shop. He and Arguel are members of Christ United Methodist church, Ashland where he sings in the choir and where he has taught Sunday School for the past 46 years. He has taught both youth and adults. Arguel teaches both piano and organ, and plays for weddings and funerals etc. They are the parents of one son, Neal Owen Walker.

6) Neal Owen Walker
b. 12 June 1936
m. 13 Oct. 1957
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Accountant

m. Constance Lee Jones
b. 1 Mar. 1937
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Homemaker/Med. Tech.
dau. of: James & Mae (Grooks) Jones

Neal is an accountant in the Budget Dept. of the U. S. Air Force. They live in New Jersey. Both are active in the Grace Bible Presbyterian church and sing in the choir. They are the parents of three children: Michelle Dianne, Sherri Lynn and Valerie Lee Walker.

7) Michelle Dianne Walker
b. 19 Nov. 1959
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) Sherri Lynn Walker
b. 12 Feb. 1963
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) Valerie Lee Walker
b. 6 May 1970
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

3) David Warren Brown
b. 23 Apr. 1874
m. 30 Apr. 1918
d. 20 Nov. 1951
cause:
burial: Fairhaven Cem., Wayne Co., O.
church:
occupation: Farmer

m. Mae Baum
b. 1883
d. 1953
cause:
burial: Fairhaven Cem., Wayne Co. O.
church:
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of:

Warren married late in life. He is the son that found his mother at her door step so horribly burned. He lived on the home place, later he built a new house a short distance from his parents home. On Apr. 6, 1902 he was elected Clear Creek Twp., Supervisor, a job his father and brother both had held before him.

3) William Tully Brown
b. 18 Aug. 1877 Savannah, Ohio
d. 18 Oct. 1892 Savannah, Ohio
cause: Accidental gun shot wound
church: Presbyterian
burial: Savannah Cemetery

"The community was shocked Saturday by the terrible accident when Tully Brown age 15, accidentally shot himself. He was doing something with an old revolver, it is not known exactly what. The family heard a shot, but thought nothing of it.

Two hours later they wondered why he hadn't come in, so one of the family went out to see if he could find him, and was horrified to find Tully lying on his face in a pool of blood. He was shot in the head, and the doctor said it was instant death. They supposed he was cleaning the weapon or trying to discharge it as a knife was found lying near-by on the ground. He was universally loved and respected. The funeral was conducted on Wednesday, by the Reverend Hutchinson, pastor of the United Presbyterian church of Savannah." (Copied from a newspaper clipping.)

William Tully Brown

3) Alma Fae Brown
b. 1 Oct. 1883
d. 1 Dec. 1889
cause: Diphtheria
burial: Savannah Cemetery

She died on the Sabboth 6 yrs. old.

(1) John Luther Furnish(2) John & Dora Furnish and their children: Nellie, James and Edgar (3) John and Dora before their Homestead in Florence, Oregon (4) John and Dora

JOHN LUTHER FURNISH

2) John Luther Furnish
b. 19 July 1842 Massillon, Stark Co., Ohio
m. 25 Apr. 1872 Allen Co., Ind.
d. 27 Nov. 1917 Glenada, Lane Co., Or.
burial: Glemada, Oregon, I.O.O.F. Cem.
cause: "Acute Indigestion" (Heart)
occupation: Farmer/Carpenter
church:

m. Dora Albina Dorsey
b. 10 Feb. 1846 Allen Co., Ind.
d. 31 Dec. 1932 Eugene, Oregon
cause: Heart Failure
burial: Glenada, Oregon, I.O.O.F. Cem.
church: Community
occupation: School Teacher/Homemaker
dau. of:

John Furnish was born in Stark Co., Ohio, then in 1844 he moved with his family to Clear Creek Twp., Ashland Co., Ohio where his parents purchased twenty-five acres of land near Savannah. In 1860 they sold this property and moved to Jackson Twp., DeKalb Co., Indiana.

On 11 July 1861 he enlisted in the Civil War. He served with the 11th Regt. of the Indiana Foot Volunteers. He was discharged, 24 February for disability. He enrolled at Columbus, Ohio, 22 February 1865 in Co. A (?), 196th Regt. of the Ohio infantry, and served to 11 September 1865. He was captured and imprisoned in a confederate prison. His Military Record description says he was 6 ft 1 in. in height, fair complexion, hazel eyes, and had brown hair.

After leaving the Service he resided in Ohio 4 years, Iowa 3 years, Indiana 2 years, then moved westward, living 15 years in Nebraska, and 26 years in Oregon.

He was 30 years of age when he and Dora Dorsey were married. They were married in Maysville, Indiana, by William J. James. Here their oldest child, James was born. Shortly after they moved to Nebraska City, Nebraska, where their second son T. Edgar and their only daughter, Nellie Evangeline, were born. Then in March of 1893 they moved to a farm near Ord, Valley Co., Nebraska. In March of 1889, they moved to Oregon, near Florence, where John lived until his death in 1917. Dora continued to live here until 1926 when she moved to Eugene, Oregon where she lived with her daughter Nellie until her death in 1932.

Dora was a School Teacher before she was married and insisted that all of their children should have good educations. Her receipe for 'Clam Chowder' has been passed down through the family and we're told it "is Yummy". She was active in the Community Church and in the Rebecca Lodge.

They moved West in a Covered Wagon, and Nellie remembered in their move from Nebraska to Oregon, that her mother made pies from the berries the children picked and that she used bear grease for the shortening in the crust. She continued to do this after they got to Oregon with the berries the children picked that were growing wild on the homestead. They lived "pretty much off the land."

John was active in local affairs. At one time he was Chairman of the School Board and helped to organize the I. O. O. F. Cemetery at Glemada, near Florence in Lane Co. It is an early pioneer cemetery. J. K. Lowe, Undertaker,had charge of John's funeral.

John and Dora were the parents of three children: James Leroy, T. Edgar and Nellie Evangeline Furnish.

John Luther Furnish:

Born: 19 July 1842 at Massilon, Ohio (Stark Co.)

Father: David Furnish, born England
Mother: Caroline Davis, born England

Died: 28 November 1917 at Glemada, Lane County, Oregon
(buried 30 November 1917 at Glemada)

Married: 25 April 1872, at Maysville, Indiana to

Wife: Dora A. Dorsey

Children: James L. Furnish, born 28 May 1873
T. Edgar Furnish, b. 20 April 1876
Nellie E. Furnish, b. 5 November 1882
(all living in 1915)

Military Service: 11th Regt. of the Indiana Foot Volunteers
enlisted 11 July 1861
discharged 24 February 1862 at Camp Elston, Kentucky for disability
enrolled at Columbus, Ohio 22 February 1865 in Co. A (?) 196th Regt. of Ohio Infantry
served to 11 September 1865

Description: 6'1", dark complexion, hazel eyes, brown hair

Occupation: carpenter

Residence after leaving the service: Ohio 4 years; Iowa 3 years; Indiana 2 years; Nebraska 15 years; Oregon 23 years.

Mrs. Dora Furnish died 31 December 1932 at Eugene, Oregon, and was buried at Glemada, Oregon. She was born Dora Albina Dorsey, 10 February 1846 at Allen Co., Indiana.

From National Archives File #868-820 WC (Civil War)

BE IT KNOWN, That on the 20 day of April 1872 a MARRIAGE LICENSE was issued in the words and figures following,

M A R R I A G E L I C E N S E

THE STATE OF INDIANA, TO-WIT: ALLEN COUNTY. To all who shall see these presents, Greeting:

KNOW YE, That any person legally authorized to solemnize Matrimony is hereby licensed to join in Marriage John L. Furnish and Dora A. Dorsey as husband and wife and for so doing this shall be his sufficient authority.

IN TESTIMONY, WHEREOF, I, Wm. J. Edsall Clerk of the Allen Circuit Court, hereunto subscribe my name, and affix the seal of said Court, this 20 day of April 1872

SEAL

Wm. J. Edsall Clerk.

And they were married, as appears from the following Certificate:

STATE OF INDIANA, TO-WIT, ALLEN COUNTY:

THIS CERTIFIES, That I Joined in Marriage, as Husband and Wife, John L. Furnish and Dora A. Dorsey on the 25 day of April 1872.

William J. James

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STATE OF INDIANA, ALLEN COUNTY, SS.

I, Kent Sweet Clerk of the Allen Circuit Court, do hereby certify that the above and forgoing is a true and complete transcript of the Marriage License issued and the return made thereto in the matter of the marriage of John L. Furnish to Dora A. Dorsey as appears on Record in my office

in WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of said Court at Fort Wayne, this 31 day of March 1919

SEAL

Kent Sweet Clerk.

(A typed copy of a Photostatic Copy)

3) James Leroy Furnish
b. 28 May 1873 Maysville, Ind.
m.
d. 16 Mar. 1968 Eugene, Oregon
cause: Gangrene of the leg
burial: Greenwood Cem., Vida, Or.
church: Community
occupation: Farmer/School Teacher
Forest Ranger/I.R.S.

1. m. Yuba Huston
b. 1 Mar. 1873 Eugene, Oregon
d. 14 Dec. 1926
cause: Lung Hemorrhage
burial:
church:
occupation: School Teacher/Homemaker
dau. of:

James was a versatile person, he homesteaded, taught school, managed a sporting goods store and was an expert exhibition marksman, holding many medals. He was a Forest Ranger in the Williamette Forest. He farmed and was an Internal Revenue collector. He served in Company A of the Oregon Militia, which was a forerunner of The National Guard. He was 6 ft. tall, had brown curly hair and grey eyes. He died just two months before his 95th birthday. His mind was still very clear. He had a terrific memory.

He married Yuba Huston, daughter of a pioneering family who came to Oregon in 1852 by ox team. Yuba was born 12 miles west of Eugene, Oregon on the Huston Land Donation Claim.

James and Yuba were the parents of two children: Margaret Evogene and James Ellwood Furnish.

4) Margaret Evogene Furnish
b. 29 Sept. 1899 Ada, Oregon
m. 2 July 1923 Marshfield, Oregon
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Lab. Tech.

m. Belden B. Harrison
b. 26 Sept. 1895 Jefferson, Oregon
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation Contractor/Postmaster/Store
son of: Edward C. & Nellie C. ( )
Harrison

Evogene Furnish was a Laboratory Technician for the State of Oregon, testing all dairy products sold in Portland, Oregon, until she retired. She has one of the oldest licenses, which is now called a "Cheese Makers License." Her License is dated 1918 and is still valid. She had worked at this trade before she was married.

She married Belden Harrison in Marshfield, Oregon in 1923 and this year (1976) on the second of July they will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary. The past yearBeldon has been very ill with a heart condition and a very low blood count. He spent three months in the Veteran's hospital in Portland, and then after coming home was treated as an Out-Patient with therapy every other day. He has improved a great deal.

When they were first married they lived in Coos Bay, then they moved to Ophir, where they built a General Store, Service Station and Post Office. This they owned and operated for thirteen years. After selling this they bought a motel and built a Service Station and Restaurant at Seal Rock which they operated for six years, selling out during World War II. They then moved to Portland where they owned and operated a Grocery Store for a short time.

When the 'building boom' started Belden went into the construction business and built many houses and apartment complexes. At the time of his retirement he was a partner in the "Buck Construction Co," building mostly large apartment houses.

In June of 1950 they sold their large home and spent a year seeing the U. S. A. They spent some time in Florida and thought they might stay there, but the 1950 hurricane changed their minds and they went back to Oregon. They found no place they liked better. They now have a small home on one quarter acre, where they have many flowers and beautiful shrubs and have a lovely 'organic' garden. Growing things has always been one of Evogene's many hobbies.

They both love Oregon and feel their ancestors knew what they were doing when they came there. Beldens grandfather Harrison and Evogene's grandfather Huston both pioneered and came to Oregon by ox team in 1849 and 1852 respectively. Her Furnish grandparents, John L. and Dora A. (Dorsey) Furnish came in 1889.

Her mother's family "The Hustons," held their 50th consecutive family reunion on the last Sunday of June 1975.

Evogene feels she was doubly blessed on both sides of the family with lovely uncles and aunts as well as grandparents. She recalls her Grandpa John Furnish was one of the handsomest men she had ever seen, and Grandma Dora Furnish was very tiny and was very active in her church and the Rebecca Lodge.

Evogene's advice to those carrying on the family name and tradition is: "try to be as honest and upright as all of your immediate family have been and as well respected at their deaths."

Evogene and Belden are the parents of two children: Larry Belden and Marjory Jean Harrison.

5) Larry Belden Harrison
b. 26 Dec. 1924 Eugene, Oregon
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Teacher

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Larry graduated from Portland University in 1951, and has taken some courses at other colleges.

Larry served in the U. S. Navy aboard the U. S. Idaho during World War II. He was in the South Pacific Theater, and through eleven invasions. He has poor health and is semi-retired. He teaches young retarded adults.

5) Marjory Jean Harrison
b. 12 Dec. 1925 Eastside, Oregon
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Richard W. Stark
b. 27 Aug. 1920
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Feb. 1976 Marjory and Richard were busy building a beautiful Lodge type home on the Wilson River, a beautiful stream and one of the best fishing streams in Oregon.

They are the parents of three children: Patricia Jo, Randy Conrad and Scott Belden Stark.

6) Patricia Jo Stark
b. 14 July 1950
m. 18 Oct. 1975 Stevenson, Wash.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. James Harold Gardner
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Asst. Restaurant Manager
son of:

6) Randy Conrad Stark
b. 3 Aug. 1954
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Scott Belden Stark
b. 27 Mar. 1956
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

4) James Ellwood Furnish
b. 14 May 1902 Ada, Oregon 4 s. m.
m. 26 May 1923 Albany, Oregon
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Farmer/Construction +

m. Mary Edna Haverland
b. 26 Sept. 1904 Brownsville, Oregon
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker/Grocery Store Mng.
dau. of: & Effie (West) Haverland

James E. Furnish attended grade and high school at Ada, Oregon. He took a short course at Corvallis, Oregon.

He has had many and varied occupations. He farmed on his own for five years; he worked as a Salesman for DeLaval, Massy Harris, Delco, Artcraft and others; he worked on road and bridge construction. He can run all of the equipment, cats, shovels, graders etc, and most of twenty years worked as a Supt. or Gen. Supt. on the construction of schools, industry and on over 1000 houses in Oregon and Alaska. He also ran his own Cabinet Shop. He is licensed in both Oregon and California and ran all phases of his business, contracting, for four years before he retired. He also worked in the logging business. He fell timber in Oregon and "River Hoged" logs down streams in Oregon (1920-22) and in Washington and California (1933-34). At the sawmill he did Tallying and Grading. He worked as a Fire Warden at Clatsop Co., Oregon for two summers (1938-1939; also as Sr. Supt. of four Shipyards in Portland, Oregon and one in Richmond, California, and as a carpenter Supt. from 1946 to 1967.

He used to like to hunt and fish, but because of health reasons he only fishes now. He has traveled extensively having been to Hawaii, England,Scotland, Canada, Mexico, Panama, Ecuador, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Barbados and the Bahamas besides 22 of the United States.

He operated a trailer parks for three years after his retirement, 1 January, 1967.

He joined the Grange in 1916, Masonic Lodge 107, 1926, Royal Arch, 1939, Commandry and Shrine, 1944and the Carpenters Union 1942. He served two terms as President of Local 583 and served 12 years on the Carpenters District Council. He belonged to the Unitarian Church for many years, but does not attend any more.

He has belonged to the Republican Party since 1923 and served twice on the State Central Committee. He studied law for two years and was invited to run for the U. S. Senate. He also took up flying after middle age, but had his license later revoked, due to an accident.

Edna attended grade and high school at Brownsville, Oregon. She managed Grocery Store for several years.

Edna and Jim were divorced in 1945. To this union two children were born: James Gerald and Mary Anne Furnish.

4) James Ellwood Furnish

See information with first marriage.

m. Ann Scioli
b. 21 Nov. 1915 Spokane, Wash.
m. 3 May 1946 Olympia Wash.
d. 14 May 1959
cause: Cancer
burial: Portland Vault Memorial
church:
occupation: Social Worker
dau. of:

Jim and Ann were married by a Federal Judge in Olympia, Washington. To this union one son was born, Jeffrey Jamie Furnish.

4) James Ellwood Furnish

See information with first marriage.

m. Esther Ryan
b. 21 Nov. 1911
m. 26 Nov. 1959
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

This marriage ended in divorce in 1964.

Jim now lives in a trailer. He says his place is a show place and that he raises a garden, many roses and other flowers. He maintains a lawn equal to any putting green.

He says he never understood his father until after he was 40. And now he thinks he was the greatest man he ever knew. He remembers his father as being strong willed, but his word was better than most bonds. His integrity was above question, and he told it like it was.

5) James Gerald Furnish
b. 5 May 1924 Ada, Oregon
m. 29 June 1957 Dorris, Calif.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Ranch Laborer

m. Ione Mae Wise
b. 10 July 1932 Oakland, California
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Nurse/City Treasurer
dau. of: George Preston & Rose Charollote (Garey) Wise

Jim graduated from High School in Vernonia, Oregon in 1942. He went into the Army Air Corp in 1943, and spent one year over seas and was discharged in 1946. He went to college for two years, and then went ot California and has been thereever since. Jim and Ione Wise were married by Rev. Horn, June 29, 1957 in Dorris.

He works on the Porterfield Ranch, better known as the J. F. Ranch. They lived on the ranch until 1972 when they bought a mobil home and moved into the town of Dorris. Ione's mother and dad lived on the ranch when they were first married in June of 1931. Her grandparents, George Pearl Wise and Ione(Kirk) Wise), were hoping to buy the ranch when her grandfather got ill and they moved to Novato, California about 30 miles from San Francisco. Ione's other grandparents were Elijah Garey and Grace Mae (Delamar) Garey. Elijah Garey was a distant cousin of Abraham Lincoln.

Ione has lived in Dorris since 1935. She went to grade school and high school there, graduating from Butte Valley High School in 1950. She has had one year of nurses training and two years of college plus one year of business school. She worked as an aide at the hospital in Klamath Falls, Oregon for seven years,(1966-73). In 1976 she was elected City Treasurer on March 2nd.

Jim and Ione are the parents of two children, James Preston and Penny Lynn Furnish. Ione is taking an Emergency Medical Technician course so she can work on the ambulance. They enjoy reading, fishing, camping, gardening and working in the yard.

6) James Preston Furnish
b. 24 November, 1961 Klamath Falls, Or.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Student- 9th grade 1976-77

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Preston likes to make models, fishing, camping and the Boy Scouts. Someday he hopes to be a policeman.

6) Penny Lynn Furnish
b. 16 Jan. 1964 Klamath Falls, Or.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Student 7th grade 1976-77

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Penny likes leathercraft, swimming and the Girl Scouts.

5) Mary Anne Furnish
b. 4 Mar. 1925 Marshfield, Ore.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. LaVon George
b. 20 Sept. 1920
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Manager, Sears Mail Order
son of:

They live in Redmond, Washington and are the parents of three children, David, Donald and Denise George.

6) David George
b. 15 Dec. 1949
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Donald George
b. 17 Nov. 1951
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Denise George
b. 19 July 1955
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Jeffrey Jamie Furnish
b. 13 July 1951 Portland, Oregon
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Attorney

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Jeff Furnish attended grade school and high school at Portland, Oregon. He attended Claremount College, California and George Washington Law School, Washington, D. C. He is now practicing Law there.

3) James Leroy Furnish

(See information with first marriage.)

2 m. Ethel Tompson
b. 15 Mar. Leaburg, Oregon 1879
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Bookkeeper
dau. of:

3) T. Edgar Furnish, Sr.
b. 20 Apr. 1876 Nebraska City, Neb.
m. 5 June 1920 Wrangell, Alaska
d. 6 July 1947 Eugene, Or., Lane Co.
cause: Heart trouble
burial: Cremated, ashes in ocean
church:
occupation: Seaman/Fisherman/Heating Engineer

m. Grace Ethelin Archer
b. 22 Jan. 1894 Ness City, Kansas
d. 24 Apr. 1974
cause: Cancer
burial: Cremated, ashes scattered
church: Methodist
occupation: School Teacher/Homemaker
dau. of:

Edgar and Grace lived in Eugene, Oregon. He was employed at the University of Oregon as a Heating Engineer. Before that he had spent time in Alaska as a fisherman and before that time at sea as a sailor. He also ran the Ferry Boat in Florence, Oregon for many years. He was past Master of Masonic Lodge in Florence, Oregon.

Edgar was 5 ft. 9 in. tall and weighed about 170 lbs. He was serious at times but had a wonderful sense of humor. Grace was the same height but weighed 40 lbs. less than Edgar. She was a School Teacher. She earned her Teachers Degree from Monmouth, S. of Salem, at "Oregon School of Education." She taught at Glenwood Elem.

They had a beautiful 'cabin' at Seal Rock. It was all done in knotty pine with hard wood floors, and three bathrooms. It was two story and right on the ocean. The family remembers them sleeping up to 27 many times. Their residence was at 541 E. 19th Street, Eugene, Oregon.

After they died they were both cremated. Edgar's ashes were thrown into the ocean at Seal Rock in front of the Family cabin in 1947 and Graces in 1974.

They were the parents of two sons: T. Edgar, Jr. and Ronald Archer Furnish. After Edgar's death Grace married a family friend, a widower, named John Hollingsworth.

4) T. Edgar Furnish, Jr.
b. 25 Apr. 1922 Eugene, Oregon
m. 7 July 1944
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation:

m. Anna J. Brummel
b. 14 Mar. 1919 Casper, Wyo
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: Domestic
dau. of: Peter & Kathern (Diederich) Brummel

Edgar, Jr. attended school in Eugene, grade through high school. He attended the University of Oregon for two years. He went to Seattle in 1941 and went to work for Boeing Aircraft. He went into the Navy in August 1942 and left in 1946 and went back to Boeing. He was an Airplane Mechanic. In 1961 he went to work for Howard Hughes and stayed one year because he was injured in an automobile wreck. He then worked in Vaughn at the International Paper Co., 10 miles from Eugene. He worked in the Power House. In 1966 he went to work for the U. S. Postal Dept. as Special Delivery Carrier.

Edgar and Ann Brummel were married in 1944 Ann worked at Boeing during the war years and cooked after that. In 1963 this marriage ended in divorce and Ann went to work as a housekeeper for a priest in Quincy, Washington. She is still there.

In 1953 Edgar was sent to Moses Lake, Washington. He was crew chief on Flight Line for B 47, B 52 and test models of 707, 727, 747. He also worked on B 17 and B 29 Clipper Ships. When he worked for Howard Hughes he was a Missile Inspector. He and his brother Ron both inharited 5 acres each from their grandparents homestead. He was retired on a 100 % disability so moved onto it.

Edgar and Ann are the parents of one daughter, Penelope Ann Furnish.

4) T. Edgar Furnish, Jr.

(See information with first marriage,)

m. Rozanne Moreland
b.
m. 1966
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of: Julius Caesar & Henrietta (Bird) Moreland

In 1966 Edgar married Rozanne Moreland, a lady with four grown children. She is a Fabric and Sewing Expert for Emporian Dept. Store in Eugene, Oregon.

In 1975-6 they sold their home and purchased a 70ft. by 14 ft. mobil home and had it placed on their five acres in Florence, Oregon. Here they enjoy deep sea fishing and crabbing. They also have a 20 ft. Travel Trailor.

5) Penelope Ann Furnish (Penny)
b. 2 Mar. 1949 Seattle, Wash.
m. 23 Dec. 1968 Wenatchee, Wash.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic

m. Ronald Steven Evensen
b. 28 Feb. 1948 Port Angeles, Wash.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran/Roman Catholic
son of:

Penny graduated from Wenatchee High School in Wenatchee in 1968. Ron graduated from Eastmont High School in East Wenatchee in 1967. Wenatchee and East Wenatchee are two seperate towns seperated by the Columbia River and connected by a bridge. Penny and Ron were married while she was still in high school. Her parents got a divorce when she was in the eighth grade and her mother was ill. They felt they were mature enough to get married, as Ron came from a divorced family too. Penny graduated with honors. They were married at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Wenatchee. They had a lovely Christmas wedding.

Ron is 6 ft. 4 in. tall. He works for the Forest Service and likes it very much. He has taken the course and qualified, he is now an Emergency Medical Technician. He is on the local volunteer ambulance crew. In the summer he is a Medical Officer for the Forest Service on large fires. He likes to hunt and fish, and they live in a perfect place for such.

Penny enjoys being a homemaker. She likes to knit, crochet and sew and recently is taking up ceramics. She says she is a "plant nut." Especially likes A. Violets.

She inherited the Seal Rock Cabin from her grandparents. But now has it up for sale as it takes them two days to get there, and they can't protect it or take care of it. They would like to sell it and their home in Entiat and buy a home closer to town. They are 18 miles from Wenatchee where they go to church, shopping and the doctor. She and Ron both would like to take some classes at the Junior College.

One of her prize keepsakes is her great-grandfather's gun he brought home from the Civil War.

Her great-aunt, Nellie Furnish, was a very special person to her. She spent a

lot of time with her and seemed to always be there when she needed her. Aunt Nell and her mother were the closest people to her until she got married.

Penny and Ron are the parents of 2 sons, David Albin and Timothy Paul Evensen. They are expecting a third child in October 1976.

6) David Albin Evensen
b. 19 Aug. 1970
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Student 1st grade 1976-77

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Timothy Paul Evensen
b. 5 Mar. 1973
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Kristin Anne Evensen
b. 24 Oct. 1976 Wash.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

Wt. 7 lbs. 6½ oz.

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
of:

4) Ronald Archer Furnish
b. 27 Oct. 1929 Eugene, Oregon
m. 8 Sept. 1952 Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker

m. Marilyn Lucille Whitsell
b. 12 Jan. 1933
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Quality Control Inspector
dau. of: John & Whitsell

Ron attended University High School in Eugene, Oregon. He started to work for the Boeing Co. in 1952 in Seattle, Washington, in final assembly on the C-47 as an inspector. He served two years in the U. S. Army. He was drafted in 1954 during the Korean conflict and took his basic training at Fort Ord, California, and Atlanta, Georgia. He was then transferred to Anchorage, Alaska, and was there until he was discharged in 1956. After his discharge he went to work again at Boeing in the Bomarc Missile project. In 1961 he took an assignment for 18 months in Santa Maria, California, where they started testing the Minuteman Missile at Vandenbourg A. F. Base. He has been in Quality Control as an inspector on what turned out to be a long range project. He has worked for Boeing for 22 years.

Ron and Marilyn Whitsell were introduced by a friend, but did not date for several years. About three weeks after their first date they visited his brother, Edgar, and his wife in Seattle. They went for the week-end. They went out to dinner on Sunday, and intended on leaving in the afternoon, but while sitting in the restaurant Edgar brought up the idea of them getting married. "After several hours of teasing, laughing and thinking it funny we were convinced this must be the thing to do. So in the restaurant I had a proposal of marriage, but no clothes for the occasion, so through my new sister-in-law to be's closet we went. I was finally completely outfitted and off to Coeur d'Alene, Idaho we went, where we were married in a chapel by a Justice of the Peace." Things had moved mighty fast and her parents were expecting her home that Sunday evening. So when they reached eastern Washington they called her parents and told them. But they did not tell Ron's mother until they walked in on her, with no warning, when they got back to Eugene. Neither of them had met each other's parents, so there was some interesting reactions. Marilyn's father worked as a brakeman on the logging train for Weyerhauser Co., until he retired, her mother did not work outside the home.

Marilyn attended Eugene High School, Eugene, Oregon. She is not employed out side the home at present, but for five years she owned and managed a drive-in restaurant. She had a very successful business but when costs started rising they decided to sell if they could get their price, which they did.

As a family they all like the out-of-doors, so they enjoy camping, fishing, and boating. They have a camper and a 20 ft. boat that they pull to Florence, Oregon each year to capitalize on the good salmon fishing in the ocean. Ron interited five acres of property there from his parents at the time of his mother's death in 1974. It is a part of the Furnish Homestead. They plan on developing the property as their retreat when they retire. Hopefully they want to travel also after retirement.

In 1968 they spent the summer in Florida. Ron was there on temporary duty from Jan.-Aug. Marilyn and the children went by car to be with him when school was out in June. They were able to travel throughout the state and had a marvelous time while there. They traveled back to California in two cars with stops in New Orleans, Mexico and the Carlsbad Caverns.

They have four children, Linda Marie, Gary, Gloria and Lisa Furnish.

5) Linda Marie Furnish
b. 5 Feb. 1954 Eugene, Oregon
m. 6 June 1971 Santa Maria, Calif.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker/Hospital Cafeteria

1. m. William Craig
b. 24 Aug. 1952
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Forest Service
son of:

Linda Furnish was educated in Eugene through the 5th grade, and the 6th through the 12th in Santa Maria, attending Righetti High School and graduating in 1971. That June 6th she and William Craig were married in the Santa Maria Methodist Church. This marriage ended in divorce in October of 1974. To this union one daughter was born, Keri Ann Craig.

6) Keri Ann Craig
b. 15 Nov. 1972 Santa Maria, Calif.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

2. m. Norman Schmidt
b.
m. Jan. 1976
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: State Highway Commission
son of:

Linda and Norman Schimdt were married in January 1976 by the Justice of the Peace at the Lane County Courthouse in Eugene, Oregon. Norman works for the Oregon State Highway Commission on the survey crew. Linda works in the cafeteria at Sacred Heart Hospital in Eugene, Oregon, where they reside. They are buying a home there and plan on living in that area for some time. Linda inherited her grandparents home on 19th street in Eugene at the time of her grandmothers death in 1974.

Her hobbies are bowling, macrame and horses.

5) Gary Furnish m.

b. 28 Jan. 1961 Eugene, Oregon	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church:	occupation:
occupation: Hi School Freshman 1975-6	dau. of:

Gary attends school at Ernest Righetti, where he is a freshman 1975-6. He is taking college prep courses. He plans on attending college when he graduates, possibly majoring in Forestry or Agriculture. He is a member of the Los Amigos 4-H. His projects are leathercraft and rabbits. He has been quite successful in this. In competition he has trophies ofr Best of Show & Breed. He has shown also under the American Rabbit Breeders Assn. competition. He has many blue ribbons and raises New Zealand Reds. He is Records Recorder for the Club and also a Jr. Leader where he trys to teach the younger members showmanship and to pass on his knowledge to them. He is an active member in F. F. A. where he is in the sheep project. He attends the First Baptist Church in Santa Maria.

5) Gloria Furnish m.

b. 1 May 1964 Eugene, Oregon	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church:	occupation:
occupation: 6th grade 1975-6	son of:

Gloria is in the 6th grade at Pine Grove Grade School and will attend Orcutt Jr. High in the fall (1976-7). She twirled baton from age 5 until this last year when she had to give it up because of conflicting events in 4-H. She is active in the Los Amigos 4-H Club with her projects in Yeast Breads and Rabbits. She was a County Winner in Yeast Breads at the age of 10. She has won Best of Show & Breed in rabbit competitions. She raises rabbits mainly for show. Her breed is the New Zealand White. She plans on taking Home Economics courses as she continues through school.
She attends the First Baptist Church in Santa Maria.

5) Lisa Furnish m.

b. 29 Mar. 1965 Eugene, Oregon	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church:	occupation:
occupation: 4th grade 1975-6	son of:

Lisa is in the 4th grade, 1975-6, at Pine Grove School. She is a member of the Los Amigos 4-H Club and carries only rabbits as her project. This being her first

year raising rabbits she has no prior wins or honors. She shows an interest in cooking but her main interests are in all animals. She has a way with animals that is hard to explain, but they all immediately like her and she understands them. Perhaps when she is older she will try to get into animal husbandry! She too attends the First Baptist Church of Santa Maria.

3) Nellie Evangaline Furnish
b. 5 Nov. 1882 near Nebraska City, Neb.
m. She never married
d. 19 Feb. 1976 Wenatchee, Washington
cause: Age 94 years.
burial: Cremated, ashes buried in Glenada
church:
occupation: Secretary

When Nellie was about 20 years of age she left Oregon and enrolled in a large business school in Chicago. She lived in the Y. M. C. A. After finishing her course she went to work for Dr. Isaac Arthur Abpt. He was one of the first pediatricians. He was advanced for his time. She worked for him for many years.

Her next job was with a Chicago Law Firm. She especially enjoyed the Law Office as they had many interesting and important cases. She returned home when her father became ill and did not return, however she corresponded with her former boss, Mr. Lipton for many years, they were good friends. In Oregon she went to work for the head of the Economics Dept, Dean Gilbert, at the University of Oregon. (There is a building on campus named for him.) She worked for the university for 25 years and then was retired in accordance with a state law. She retired December of 1947.

When Nellie was a child they called"Scooter"because she could run as fast on a fallen log as she could on the ground.

She liked to tell the story about the time she and her friend Helen went fishing. Her father had told her they wouldn't catch anything! But they did, they caught a big Salmon in the Linslaw River. They could hardly get the fish into the boat and they really surprised everyone. They had salmon for supper and a few more meals.

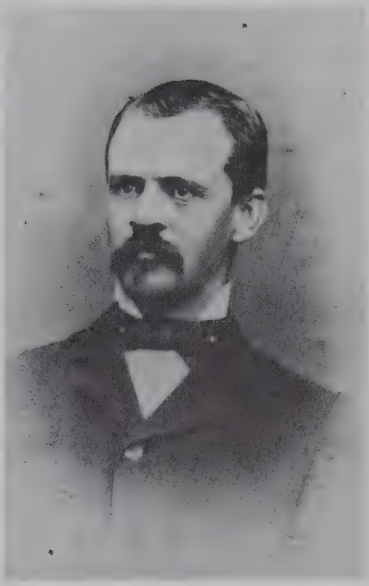
She also loved to play in the sand dunes hear their homestead. These dunes are now Dunes National Park.

The last few years she was confined to the Parkside Manor Rest Home on Monitor St. in Wenatchee, Washington. At 91 she still read alot, and was a little unsteady on her feet and was a little hard of hearing. She was able to remember in great detail things of the past.

She had kept a lot of 'Family Pictures' and after she died the family donated them to their local Oregon museum.

Her body was cremated and her ashes were placed next to her mother and father in a pioneer cemetery at Glenada near Florence. Her father helped to organize this cemetery. It overlooks the homestead where she grew up.

Eliza Beams



Abraham Myers Furnish

Wedding Pictures

Eliza and Abe Arthur Bertha & Jennie

Vera Lochner-Sylvia (Shutt) and Abe Furnish

2) Abraham Myers Furnish
b. 10 Jan. 1845 Ashland Co., O.
m. 6 Apr. 1876 Spencerville, Ind.
d. 24 Nov. 1924 Fort Wayne, Ind.
cause: Uremia
burial: Spencerville, Ind.
church: Lutheran/Methodist
occupation: Farmer

1. m. Rebecca Beams
b. 11 Mar. 1851 Spencerville, Ind.
d. 13 July 1880 Spencerville, Ind.
cause: "Consumption"
burial: Spencerville, Ind.
church: Lutheran
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: John & Barbara (~~Wise~~ Bishop) Beams

Abraham Myers Furnish was born in Ashland County, Savannah, Ohio, of English-born parents. He moved with his parents, David and Mary Caroline (Davis) Furnish and his brothers and sisters (there were 10 children) to Indiana in 1860 which had become the 19th state in 1816. The family settled on a farm a little SW of Spencerville, a small town about 25 miles NE of Fort Wayne. He apparently lived with his parents until he married at age 31. A year after his marriage he purchased some propeerty and some more the following year, both are recorded in the Auburn Courthouse as follows.

> "A. M. Furnish from Lettia Henderson W. D. April 1 1876 $3000 N½ of SE Sec. 36, Twp. 33, Range 13, 80 Acres. Recorded June 16, 1876.[1]
>
> Abe Furnish from David M. Henderson Q. C. D. Mar. 19, 1877 $50 SE¼ of NW Sec. 22, Twp. 35, Range 14. Recorded May 23, 1877."[2]

His farm was located a little NE of his parents. He became a member of the Lutheran church in Spencerville, and politically, he declared himself a Republican. At one time he ran for Township Assessor and served.

Abraham was married 3 times. His first two wives were sisters, Rebecca and Eliza Beams, both of whom died rather young of "Consumption," now known as tuberculosis. To the union of Abraham and Rebecca one son was born, James Arthur, on 1 February 1877. Rebecca died at age 29 years 4 months and 8 days, after 4 years of marriage. She is buried in White City Cemetery, Spencerville. Inscribed on her tombstone is the verse:

> "Remember friends as you pass by
> As you are now, - so once was I
> As I am now, soon you must be -
> Prepare for death, and follow me
> Meet me in heaven."

3) James Arthur Furnish
b. 1 Feb. 1877 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 24 Dec. 1903-4 Spencerville, Ind.
d. 28 Apr. 1964 Auburn, Ind.
cause: A. S. H. D./Coronary Occlusion
burial: Spencerville, Ind.
church: St. Peter's Lutheran
occupation: Farmer

m. Metta Mae Rhoads
b. 15 Mae Rhoads Spencerville, Ind.
d. 22 Apr. 1961 Spencerville, Ind.
cause: A. S.H. D./C. H. F./ Coronary Occlusion
burial: Spencerville, Ind.
church: St. Peter's Lutheran
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Charles A. & Aroline (Burley) Rhoads

James Arthur Furnish was born in Spencerville, Indiana, and lived in that area all his life. His mother, Rebecca (Beams) Furnish, died when he was 3 years old. A year and a half later his father married Rebecca's sister Eliza. So now his "Aunt Eliza" became his second mother. Again his life was altered by heartache when at 13 years of age, again his mother died. When he was 15 his father married for the 3rd time, marrying the young woman who had been keeping house for he and his father and his 2 half-sisters, Bertha and Jennie. Her name was Sylvia Shutt.

In 1896 his father built a new brick farm house. It was Arthur who did much of the hauling of the bricks by horse and wagon from the brick factory about 2 miles south of the County Line on the John Amstutz farm located on the Amstutz Road. He was 19 by then. Until he was 30 he worked at various jobs, including helping to build the Wabash Railroad, (now taken over by the Norfolk & Western). It was about this time when he and his cousin, David Grosh, visited their Uncle Will Furnish in Michigan. They were both in their early 20's. Will's oldest son by his second marriage, Clyde Furnish, remembers them visiting and says he was 11 or 12 years of age.

Arthur and Metta Rhoads were married on Christmas Eve at the home of Metta's parents, Charles and Aroline (Burley) Rhoads, in 1904. Before their marriage Metta had taken some extra schooling in Akron, Ohio. She also worked as a Forelady in a dish factory. After her marriage she did custom hatching for other people.

In 1919 Arthur purchased 100 acres of land from his father-in-law recorded as:

> "J. Arthur Furnish from Charles A. Rhoads etex W. D. October 17, 1919 $100 W½ SE¼, Sec. 31, Twp. 33, Range 14, 100 acres. Recorded October 17, 1919." [3]

They did general farming and were married nearly 60 years when Metta died. She died in the same farmhouse she was born in, she was 82 years of age. Her funeral was held on Tuesday, 25 April, 1962 at 2 P. M. at the Baidinger & Walter Funeral home.

Arthur died 2 years after his wife's death, in the Sauder Hospital, Auburn, Ind. He was 87. Both he and Metta had suffered from arteriosclerotic heart disease in their declining years. Services were held for him from the Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home in Spencerville on 1 May 1964. The Reverend Ivan O. Miller officiated. Both Metta and Arthur are buried in the White City Cemetery, Spencerville, Indiana.

They were the parents of 3 sons: Charles Arthur, Harold Abraham and Merl Dean Furnish.

Footnotes:
1. Auburn Courthouse Recorders Register Book BB page 378
2. " " " " " CC page 273-4
3. " " " " " 94 page 325 Remarks 6568

4) Charles Arthur Furnish
b. 26 Nov. 1905 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 23 Feb. 1954 Muncie, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Evangelical Mennonite
occupation: farmer/factory/retired

m. Clarissa Mae Redinger
b. 7 June 1914 Pioneer, Ohio
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Evangelical Mennonite
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: David & Lillie (Gerig) Redinger

Both Charles and Clarissa graduated from Spencerville High School. They were married in Muncie, Indiana by the Reverend Stevenson, former pastor of the Spencerville Lutheran church. Charles was born in Spencerville and has lived close enough to have a Spencerville address all of his life. He worked for 8 years at the Auburn Auto Company, then for 13 years he farmed, and then worked at the Internationat Harvestor Company, Fort Wayne, Indiana for 29 years.

Clarissa worked for Arco Transformers for 18 years, then for Ballastram in Fort Wayne for 6½ years and recently has been working in the Leo Cafe.

They are both active in the Evangelical Mennonite church in Leo. Their residence is located on State Road, Spencerville, Indiana. They have no children.

4) Harold Abraham Furnish
b. 13 Apr. 1909 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 18 June 1932
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Carpenter/Mason

m. Mabel Louise Inlow
b. 1 Sept. 1911 Peebles, Ohio
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Baptist
occupation: Homemaker/School Teacher
dau. of: Oren Elmer & Emma Jane (Mann) Inlow

Harold attended school in Spencerville, graduating in 1929. That fall he went out west "via his thumb," arriving 2 weeks to the day from the time he left, to his destination. He stayed about a year, then came back and helped out on his parent's farm. The spring of 1935 he decided he wanted to try his skills at raising nothing but muskmelons, on a farm his mother had an interest in through her parent's estate, (later on his mother and his brother Charles bought the other heirs out) it had good sandy melon soil on it. He had a good crop of melons, and delicious too. That fall some of the Michigan relatives came for a visit and at the family get-together at Adella and Pete Lochners, Harold and his brother Charles and his father Arthur Furnish, drove in the yard with a trailer filled with muskmelons. A delicious treat for all attending, and something never forgoten. Today when the Michigan and Indiana folks get together that were at that reunion, someone is bound to mention "that trailer load of muskmelons." The following year Harold worked for his uncle, and then went into business for himself doing both carpentry and masonry work, which he has continued to work at, and hopefully will retire in 1976.

Mabel graduated from St. Joe High School and from Ball State College, Muncie, Indiana. She first taught in a one room school, all 8 grades, then taught in Leo, teaching the second grade, teaching 19 years in all. She is now retired.

They are the parents of 5 children: Larry Franklyn, Johnell Aroline, Sheryl Lee, Marlys Emmeta, and Grace Janeen Furnish.

5) Larry Franklyn Furnish
b. 10 Mar. 1938
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Episcopal
occupation: Personnel Director

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Larry graduated from Leo High School and the University of Miami, Florida. He has his degree in Social Studies. He is employed as Personnel Director for Wometco Interprises, Miami, Florida. A firm that employs 7000 people and own many theaters, the Coco Cola Bottling Works, and radio and television stations etc. etc. He often flys for the company from place to place working out labor disputes and personnel problems, which is very taxing at times. He has inherited a "green thumb" from his grandmother, Metta Furnish, so his hobby is horticulture. He owns his own home on Crawford Ave., in Miami, and finds it relaxing to work with plants and shrubs. So needless to say his yard is beautiful and very well kept.

5) Johnell Aroline Furnish
b. 13 Apr. 1939
m. 18 Jan. 1958
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Baptist
occupation: Secretary

m. Ralph Swing
b. 11 Apr. 1937
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Baptist
occupation: School Teacher
son of: Joseph & Doris (Powell) Swing

Johnell graduated from Leo High School and has worked for Magnavox in Fort Wayne since then. She and Ralph Swing were married in 1958, and with her working he was able to graduate from Ball State University, with his Degree in Education. She is working as a private secretary now and is very dedicated to her work. She also takes a great interest in child welfare, and social needs, as well as in the work of the church. This marriage ended in divorce in February of 1970. They are the parents of 2 sons: Scott Joseph and Bradley David Swing.

6) Scott Joseph Swing
b. 4 Sept. 1959 Munsie, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Bradley David Swing
b. 28 Mar. 1961 Munsie, Ind.
m.
d.

m.
b.
d.
cause:

cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Sheryl Lee Furnish
b. 3 June 1943
m. 18 Feb. 1966
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Baptist
occupation: L. P. N./Bookkeeper
Homemaker

m. David Albert Norr
b. 22 Nov. 1942
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Norr Mfg.
son of: Robert & Dorothy Madell
(Meiss) Norr

Sheryl graduated from Leo High School. She attended Ball State University, and graduated from L. P. N. training from a Toledo Hospital, graduating in 1963. She worked at nursing until after she was married. She now works as a Bookkeeper for Norr Manufacturing.

David graduated from Leo High School and Indiana Tech., Fort Wayne in 1967. They own a small design engineering firm which manufactures patented packaging equipment known as Norr Engineering and Manufacturing Corporation.

They are the parents of 2 sons: Eric David and Kevin Bradley Norr.

6) Eric David Norr
b. 12 Mar. 1969
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: 2nd grade (1976-7)

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Eric attendsSunnymede Elementary School.

6) Kevin Bradley Norr
b. 24 July 1970
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: 1st grade (1976-7)

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Kevin attends Sunnymede Elementary School.

5) Marlys Emmeta Furnish
b. 18 Mar. 1946
m. 21 May 1966
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Baptist
occupation: Secretary/Homemaker

m. Harold Dan Huss
b. 7 Dec. 1944
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Baptist
occupation: Data Processing
son of: Earl Lavon & Mildred Alice (Schroeder) Huss

Marlys graduated from Leo High School and worked at office work before her marriage. Her husband Dan graduated from Bluffton High School and Indiana Tech., Fort Wayne, he works in Data Processing at International Harvester in Fort Wayne.
They are the parents of 2 children: Travis Allen and Tisha Danielle Huss.

6) Travis Allen Huss
b. 5 Oct. 1970
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Tisha Danielle Huss
b. 7 Dec. 1971
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Grace Janeen Furnish
b. 11 Apr. 1951
m. June 1976
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Baptist
occupation: Secretary

m. Mark Braddock
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Grace graduated from Leo High School and worked as a secretary for I. T. & T. She quit her job here and went to work at the Allen County Children's Home in January 1975. She is working in supervision with girls here, she too is interested in social work.

4) Merl Dean Furnish
b. 16 May 1915 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 31 Mar. 1946 Akron, Ohio
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Barber

m. Marion Irene White
b. 23 Jan. 1919 Akron, Ohio
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of:

Merl graduated from Spencerville High School, then served in the U. S. Army during World War II, serving in the Australia and New Guinea theaters. He and Marion were married in Akron, Ohio in her parents home. Merl attended Indianapolis Barber School, and has been a Barber in Spencerville since then. They live on Mill Street in Spencerville near one of the historical covered bridges. They are members of St. Peter's Lutheran church in Spencerville, and are the parents of 2 children: Kenneth Raymond and Norma Jean Furnish.

5) Kenneth Raymond Furnish
b. 21 Oct. 1948 Hicksville, Ohio
m. 13 Feb. 1971 Spencerville, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Deputy Surveyor

m. Lucinda Lu Akey
b. 23 July 1950 Hicksville, Ohio
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Wilbur Leavitt & Gladys Pauline (Stewart) Akey

Kenneth graduated from Eastside High School, DeKalb Co., Indiana. He served in the U. S. Army from 7 July 1969 until 1 Jan. 1975. He served in Viet Nam from 2 June 1969 until 10 Aug. 1970. He was discharged with the Rank of E-5.
Lucinda graduated from Eastside High School also. They live on his grandparents farm, (Arthur and Metta Furnish) just out of Spencerville. They are the parents of 2 children: Jonathan Raymond and Nicole Pauline Furnish.

6) Jonathan Raymond Furnish
b. 20 July 1973
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Nicole Pauline Furnish
b. 22 July 1975
m.
d.
cause:
burial:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:

church:
occupation:

occupation:
son of:

5) Norma Jean Furnish
b. 17 Dec. 1952 Hicksville, Ohio
m. 26 Aug. 1972 Spencerville
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Receptionist

m. Michael James Beebe
b. 16 July 1948
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Machine Operator
son of:

Norma Jean and Michael both graduated from Eastside High School, DeKalb, County, Ind. They were married in St. Peter's Lutheran church in Spencerville, Indiana. Norma Jean works for Vulcraft as a receptionist. Michael served in the U. S. Army, from 4 February 1969 until his honorable discharge 3 February 1971. He served one year in Viet Nam with the infantry. His Rank was Sp 4 E 4. He works as a Machine Operator for Warner Gear.
They have no children. They are now divorced and Norma Jean has taken back her maiden name. (1976)

THE ABRAHAM FURNISH
FAMILY

Back row: Paul Furnish holding Marcella, Olive, Bill Klopfenstein and wife Jennie, Glenn Klopfenstein, Sylvia (Shutt) Furnish, Franklin Klopfenstein and his wife Bertha and daughter Gladys, Lucille Klopfenstein.
Front row: Mildred and Billy Klopfenstein, Rosemond, Doris, LaVon and LaVerne Furnish, Richard and Helen Klopfenstein.

Picture was taken about 1928 at "Rose Gardens," about two blocks from the Abe Furnish home on Alabama Ave., Fort Wayne, Indiana, where Sylvia still lived.

ABRAHAM MYERS FURNISH

2) Abraham Myers Furnish

See information listed under first marriage.

2. m. Eliza Beams
b. 16 Aug. 1850 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 29 Dec. 1881 Spencerville, Ind.
d. 22 Mar. 1891 Spencerville, Ind.
cause: Tuberculosis
burial: Spencerville, Ind.
church: Lutheran
occupation: Homemaker/School Teacher
dau. of: John & Barbara (~~Wise~~ Baker) Beams

Approximately a year and a half after Rebecca's death, Abraham married her next younger sister, Eliza, aged 28. After a little more than 9 years of marriage this marriage ended in death when Eliza died of the same dreaded disease as her sister. Eliza was 38 years, 7 months and 6 days when she died. She too is buried in the White City cemetery in Spencerville.

To this union two daughters were born: Bertha Florence and Jennie May Furnish. Eliza attended Valparaiso Univ. & taught at Spencerville before her marriage.

3) Bertha Florence Furnish
b. 13 Nov. 1884 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 22 Apr. 1905 Spencerville
d. 12 Jan. 1977 Fort Wayne, Ind.
cause:
burial:
church: Missionary
occupation: Homemaker/Clerk/Telephone Operator/Bookkeeper

m. Franklin Klopfenstein
b. 24 May 1880
d. 30 Sept. 1951 Fort Wayne, Ind.
cause: Cerebral Hemorrhage
burial: Leo, Indiana
church: Christian Apostolic
occupation: Farmer/Postmaster/Hardware & Grocery/Overland Car Agency/Telephone Co.

Bertha was only 6 years and 4 months of age when her mother died, but she recalled vividly the rest of her life that the wagon carrying her mother's casket sank hub deep into the muddy ruts of the dirt road. This, however, seemed to be the only memory she had of her own mother. Other indelible memories that lasted a lifetime were when a year and a half after her mother's death, the young woman who had come to work as her father's housekeeper and care for orphaned children, Sylvia Shutt, remained to become his wife on 29 November 1892. She was 24 years of age, Abraham was 47.

Another incident that made a deep and lasting impression on Bertha, that was filed away to be pulled out, examined, and repeated many times and ever used as a reminder to her children about resuming responsibility, took place during the summer of 1896, when her father was building a new brick house. Arthur, his eldest child was now 18, and helped to haul the brick by horse and wagon from the brick factory to the site, a distance of about 14 miles round trip. The factory was about 7 miles SE of their home, located on the John Amstutz farm. One day when none of the builders were expected, and before daylight, Abraham loaded up the buckboard wagon with garden produce to sell at the Barr Street Market in Fort Wayne. Sylvia and their 2 year old son, Paul, went along on the long hard 25 mile business trip. It took a little over 2 hours. Bertha and Jennie were left at home. Unexpectedly, the carpenters and bricklayers came to work on the house. They also expected to be served a hot meal. Since their step-mother preferred to do most of the cooking

herself, the two young girls, 12 and 8, were quite inexperienced at getting big meals and especially all by themselves. They did manage to satisfy the men's appetites and at the same time they grew up quite a bit that day. Of course in the 90's farm girls were expected to assume major responsibilities at an early age and meet any emergency without shirking.

After Arthur was old enough to be out on his own, Bertha became her father's "boy" and helped with the farmwork. In the summer she helped in the fields, cutting and shocking wheat and pitching hay, and morning and night with the milking of many cows. In the spring her father made maple syrup. She would hitch up the horses and drive for him while he emptied the buckets of maple sap and then helped to cook it down into syrup.

During one winter an unusual episode made an unforgettable impression on her memory. A cholera infection broke out among the hogs and reached epidemic proportions causing most of them to die and making it necessary to destroy the rest. She had to help dig the holes and bury the dead animals.

Bertha's school life was very checkered at best. She could never begin school in the fall with most of the other children at the Boots School nor finish with them in the spring. She was required to help on the farm or in the home during these busy periods. Often she had to do the wash for the family before going to school. Many times in the winter, she melted snow to accomplish this task. Sometimes she arrived at noon and on especially busy days, not at all. In spite of unsteady attendance she enjoyed school even when the mile and a half walk to and from school seemed twice as long during the cold wintry weather. She told of having fun, though, walking on the cursty snowdrifts as high as the fence row. Like most of the children, she enjoyed the "spelling bees" and the "box socials" that were held frequently at the little country school. Since she could not attend school on a regular basis, she did not always pass on to the next "reader" (McGuffey) each year. She was about 16 when she finished the eighth grade at Boots School.

The very next year she became a hired girl. One of the last families she worked for was the Jacob and Leila Popp family, when their oldest child, Otto, was born and when young Arthur came alone one year later. Jake operated a dairy on his farm SW of Leo and much of the milk was made into butter. The cream was made into butter in a "dash" churn, the kind that is equipped with a wooden stick with a plunger on the bottom that had to be stomped up and down to turn the cream into butter. Her wages were $1.50 to $2.00 per week.

It was while she was working for the Popps' that she met her husband to be. They took her with them to an icecream social one evening, where a relative of theirs, Frank Klopfenstein, was also in attendance. Bertha nad Frank's friendship blossomed over a dish of icecream even though it was almost too salty to eat, and ultimately ended in marriage on 22 April, 1905.

An amusing thing happened during their courtship involving her younger half-brother, Paul. He, like many younger brothers, liked to heckle and tease his older sisters. One evening when Bertha and her date were about a mile down the road from her home in the horse and buggy, they heard a human noise--very, very close, like in the buggy. Investigation proved their suspicions correct. A boy, namely little brother Paul, was hiding in the trunk of the buggy trying to hear what his older sister talked about on a date. Paul was sent "packing" and had to walk back home by himself.

About a year later, on a Saturday evening, the night before Easter, Bertha Furnish and Franklin Klopfenstein were married in the parsonage of the Lutheran Church of Spencerville with the bride's sister, Jennie, and the groom's twin brother, William, as witnesses. For some reason these two had not met before, so this was their

First meeting and a couple of years later wedding bells rang for them, too.

A couple of nights after Bertha and Frank's marriage they were chivareed as was the custom for newly-weds then.

For the first three years the young couple lived with his family on their farm less than a mile west of Leo on the Hosler road. It was when they lived here that their first daughter, Gladys, was born. Two years later they moved a half mile from the farm to Leo, in a corner house across from the Leo Cemetery, where they lived for 18 years. They were living here when their second daughter, Mildred, was born.

These were years of inventions and rapid changes that made life much easier for people everywhere, no less so in the lives of the people in this small Leo Community, living in the shadow of the larger county seat of Fort Wayne. Many ventures were started by the Klopfenstein twins and their youngest brother. One venture seemingly tumbling over the other as the brothers worked long hours in their eagerness to get in on the ground floor of the new services that could be offered the people in the early 1900's. Frank was the first Postmaster in Leo; he joined his brother in building the first brick store in Leo. "The Brothers" carried General Merchandise, which included groceries, hardware, oils, paints, buggies, agriculture implements, pumps, pipe, windmills and since the country was beginning to use motorized vehicles together they added the agency for the new "Overland" car to their store. Frank was the first to own a truck in Leo and took many of the children for their first auto ride. When telephone service was brought to the community, the brothers, with the help of a couple of other men formed a telephone company. In September of 1924 Frank moved his family to Huntertown where he was in charge of the telephone company.

Bertha was an important key in all of these ventures; she was store clerk, telephone operator and bookkeeper. Then after many years she with her husband and family moved back to the hard work of the farm, near Fremont, Indiana, where electricity had not yet been installed. After two and a half years of this life, during the depression years, they moved to Fort Wayne where she and her husband remodeled a 17 room home into an apartment house of six units. For the next 24 years she managed this business retiring, to a one-household management, at the age of 73. She remained active in this capacity until about 1966. In Fort Wayne she joined the First Missionary Church and was active in it's women's group.

At this writing (June 1975) she is approaching 91 years in November, and is no longer able to work, she lies down most of the time, however she still comes to the table for meals, though, in a wheelchair, and she is still able to go for short rides in the car.

Late Note: Frank completed the 9th grade at Leo School. This building later was used to house the cheese factory.

4) Gladys May Klopfenstein
b. 4 May 1906 Leo, Indiana
m. 24 Dec. 1942
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Church of Christ
occupation: School Teacher

m. Solon Merriman
b. 23 Feb. 1893
d. Sept. 1971
cause: Coronary
burial: Columbia City, Ind.
church: Christian
occupation: School Supplies Salesman
son of:

Gladys May Klopfenstein was born on a farm a mile west of Leo on the Hosler Rd. When she was two years of age her parents moved into Leo, where she remembers living in a corner house across from the Leo Cemetery. She remembers making the trips to her grandparents farm near Spencerville, to see her grandparents, in a buggy pulled by their faithful horses, Bill and Ike. One feature of the two-story brick farm house that fascinated her was the efficient "dumb" waiter that carried the butter, milk, cream and other foods from the kitchen to the cool basement. Sometimes in the summertime she was allowed to stay a day or two with her grandparents. The memory that is very vivid of these visits is the nightly worship with Grandfather reading from the very large family Bible by the flickering lamplight. His reading from the big book made a deep impression on her.

During these visits, mealtime stood out as her Grandmother Sylvia was a very good cook and she always enjoyed her meals. More than the meals it was interesting to see how her Grandfather managed his long bushy mustache that extended over his upper lip, to drink his coffee from a large "mustache cup" designed for just that purpose.

It was during these visits that a painting on the wall repeatedly captured her attention. It was a quaint old Negro sitting nonchalantly strumming a banjo that rested comfortably across his knee. The details and the subject of the painting seemed outstanding to her, and when she found out that her grandfather had painted it, it was all the more impressive. Perhaps under different circumstances he could have persued this talent more intensively. This interest in art, however, has blossomed into more than an interest in at least two of his great-grandchildren; Kathy and Karen Klopfenstein, grandchildren of his daughter Jennie. Kathy, Glenn's daughter, taught art in the public schools in New York state before her marriage and Karen, Richard's daughter, a high school Junior has already won honors.

Gladys graduated from Leo High School in 1924 as Salutatorian. In 1928 - A. B. from Indiana University, Vocational Home Economics Omicron Nu, Home Economics. Later Majors in English, Latin and Public School Music. In 1959 - M. S. from Indiana University, Education Pi Lambdi Theta, Education. In 1972 she retired from North Side High School, Fort Wayne, where she taught English. She taught school for 44 years.

Gladys recalls that her grandfather Furnish died just before her Thanksgiving finals, when she was a Freshman in Manchester College, and was not informed until her folks came after her. She recalls that his casket lay in state at his home and that it had to be brought in and taken out through the large front window because of difficulties in making the turn in the short hallway at the front door. There were no flowers. On the casket was just a sheaf of wheat. To his family in retrospect, it was a smybol of a farmer's life lived in harmony with the good earth and dedicated to God. He was a man of high ideals, optimism, and a dry sense of humor as she remembers him.

Her marriage terminated in divorce after seven years of marriage, they had no children. She and her sister Mildred have cared for their mother since their father died in 1950, at the West Lexington Ave., address in Fort Wayne, Indiana. She is pianist and organist for the North Highland Church of Dhrist.

4) Mildred Irene Klopfenstein Not married
b. 9 Sept. 1917 Leo, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: School Teacher

Mildred Irene Klopfenstein was born in Leo, Indiana in the corner house across from the Leo Cemetery. She lived here until she was 7. At this time her father moved the family to Huntertown where he was to be in charge of the newly formed telephone company which he and his twin brother, Will, had formed with the help of two other men.

She attended school in Leo, Huntertown, Freemont High, and graduated from Central High in Fort Wayne, Indiana and was on the National Honor Society in 1936. From 1936-39 she worked as a typist for The Lincoln National Life Insurance Co. In 1943 she received her B. S. degree from Indiana University in Education and in 1964 her M. S. degree in Education also from Indiana University. From 1958-60 she lived in Bad Nauheim, Germany, and taught school in Butzbach, at the U. S. Army School, 25 miles north of Frankfort, Germany. Since her return from Germany she has taught at the Maplewood Elementary, Fort Wayne Community Schools, teaching fourth grade.

She is a member of the Simpson United Methodist Church.

FURNISH COUSINS

Sudia Howey, daughter of James; Frank, son of William;
Bertha Klopfenstein, daughter of
Abraham

3) Jennie May Furnish
b. 29 Apr. 1888 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 30 Mar. 1907
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Apostolic Christian
occupation: Homemaker

m. William Benjamin Klopfenstein
b. 24 May 1880
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Apostolic Christian
occupation: Hardware/General Merchandise/Agency for Overland auto/Telephone Co.
son of: Jacob & Barbara (Wise) Klopfenstein

Jennie May Furnish was born near Spencerville, Indiana, the second daughter of Abraham and Eliza (Beams) Furnish. Her mother died when she was only 3 years of age. When she was 4½ her father married the young woman who had come to work as her father's housekeeper and had cared for his 3 orphaned children. Her name was Sylvia Shutt. She was the only mother Jennie ever knew.

Jennie attended the Boots School in DeKalb, County, and lived in that area all of her life.

She was asked to be a witness at her sister Bertha's marriage to Franklin Klopfenstein, 22 April 1905, and met Franklin's twin brother for the first time who also was asked to witness the ceremony. They were too married two years later. William and his twin brother, Franklin, built the first brick store in Leo, which included both hardware and groceries. It was really a general store, and besides the above mentioned they also carried oil, paint, buggies, agricultural implements, windmills, pumps, pipe and then added the Agency for the new "Overland Automobile" and accessories. The store was called "The Brothers."

Jennie was baptized on 12 November, 1936, and her husband, William, on 9 Aug. 1931 and became members of the Apostolic Christian Church.

To this union 5 children were born: Glenn A., Lucile Marie, William Benjamin, Richard Elton, and Helen June Klopfenstein.

4) Glenn A. Klopfenstein
b. 27 Apr. 1908 Leo, Ind.
m. 15 May 1937 Loris So. Carolina
d. 14 Jan. 1973
cause: Coronary
burial: Southington, Conn.
church: First Baptist
occupation: Owner of Glenn Music Co.

m. Jasmine Virginia Carter
b. 17 Feb. 1912 Loris So. Carolina
d.
cause:
burial:
church: First Baptist
occupation: Dressmaker
dau. of: Joseph J. & Sallie (Bellamy) Carter

Glenn A. Klopfenstein was born in Leo, Indiana, and attended school there. He and Jasmine Carter were married in Loris South Carolina, but lived in Middlebury, Conn. Glenn was an electronics repair man, repairing record players in resturants etc., and later had his own store, known as "Glenn Music Co." He died very suddenly of a Coronary Occlusion at age 65.

To this union 3 children were born: Rex Carter, Alan Glenn, and Cathy Sandra Klopfenstein,

5) Rex Carter Klopfenstein
b. 3 Mar. 1938 Pittsfield, Mass.
m. 6 Oct. 1962 Scotia, N. Y.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Baptist
occupation: E. Engineer

m. Linda Gilgore
b. 1 Apr. 1939 Schenectady, N. Y.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: William R. & Florence (Smart) Gilgore

Rex Carter Klopfenstein was born in Pittsfield, Mass. He received his B. S. E. E. degree fron the University of Conn. and his M. S. E. E. from Syracuse University. His wife Linda has her B. A. degree from Wells College, they are presently living in Fairfax, Virginia.

To this union 2 sons were born: Mark William and Eric Glenn Klopfenstein.

6) Mark William Klopfenstein
b. 29 May 1965 Fairfax, Va.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Eric Glenn Klopfenstein
b. 31 July 1968 Fairfax, Va.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Alan Glenn Klopfenstein
b. 24 Feb. 1942 Waterbury, Conn.
m. 3 Oct. 1964 Waterbury, Conn.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Baptist
occupation: Mechanical Engineer

m. Mary Ann Stanaitis
b. 22 Apr. 1942 Waterbury, Conn.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: Computer Programmer
dau. of: Peter John & Agnes Frances (Vilkas) Stanaitis

Alan Glenn Klopfenstein received his degree of B. S. M. E. from the University of Conn. and his M. S. M. E. from the University of Alabama. Mary Ann has her B. A. degree from the University of Conn.

They are the parents of 2 daughters: Debra Valerie and Deanna Natalie Klopfenstein.

6) Debra Valerie Klopfenstein
b. 22 Dec. 1966 Huntsville, Ala.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Deanna Natalie Klopfenstein
b. 9 Dec. 1968 Huntsville, Ala.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Cathy Sandra Klopfenstein
b. 18 Apr. 1946 Meriden, Conn.
m. 31 Aug. 1969 Southington, Conn.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Christ Church
occupation: Teacher

m. Kenneth James Utter, Jr.
b. 24 Dec. 1946 Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Christ Church
occupation: Feed Store Owner/Farmer
son of: Kenneth James & Eva (Lund) Utter

Cathy Sandra Klopfenstein has her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the University of Conn, and her Masters of Science from Western Conn. State College. She taught art in the public schools in New York state before her marriage. Her husband Kenneth has an Associate of Science degree from Dutchess Community College. They own a Feed Store as well as farm. They reside in Pawling, New York.
They are the parents of 2 sons: Kenneth Carter, and Glenn James Utter.

6) Kenneth Carter Utter
b. 26 Nov. 1971
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Glenn James Utter
b. 6 Mar. 1974
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

4) Lucile Marie Klopfenstein
b. 28 June 1911 Leo, Ind.
m. 24 Nov. 1937 Cessna Park, Ill.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker

m. Maurice R. Frank
b. 31 Jan. 1912
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Retired
son of: Fred & Ida ( ) Frank

Lucile and Maurice reside at 4609 Trierwood Park Drive, Ft. Wayne, Ind. 46805 They are the parents of 4 children: Norman Kay, Maureen Lou, Pamela Sue and Norma Jean Frank.

5) Norman Kay Frank
b. 3 July 1940 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
d. 6 Mar. 1948
cause: Vascular Accident
burial: Leo, Indiana
church: Apostolic Christian

5) Maureen Lou Frank
b. 27 Apr. 1942 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m. 23 July 1967
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Nurse/Homemaker

m. Phillip H. Stettner
b. 16 Jan. 1943
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Lithographer
son of: Howard & Goldie ( ) Stettner

Maureen graduated from nurses training from the Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, Mi. and received her B. S. degree from the University of Illionis. Phillip was in the U. S. Air Force. They reside at 4807 Fairfield Ave., Ft. Wayne, Ind. 46807
They are the parents of 3 children: Graig P., Maura Sue, Margo Lyn Stettner.

6) Graig P. Stettner
b. 3 Aug. 1969
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Maura Sue Stettner
b. 15 Jan. 1972
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Margo Lyn Stettner
b. 10 Mar. 1974
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Norma Jean Frank
b. 30 Apr. 1949 Louisville, Ky.
m. 4 July 1971
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker/Teacher

m. Stanley L. Schamback
b. 23 Oct. 1947
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Certified Public Acct.
son of:

Norma Jean received her B. S. Degree from the University of Wisconsin, and is an Elementary Teacher and homemaker. Stanley received his B. S. Degree in Accounting from North Illionis University. They reside on Washburn St., Elgin, Illionis.
They are the parents of 2 children: Alan J., and Stephanie Lynn Schamback.

6) Alan J. Schamback
b. 27 June 1972
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Stephanie Lynn Schamback
b. 4 June 1974
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Pamela Sue Frank
b. 6 May 1955
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Pamela is a student of Nursing at the Indiana University Medical Center, Indianapolis, Indiana. (1975

4) William Benjamin Klopfenstein
b. 26 May 1919 Leo, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Apostolic Christian
occupation: Furniture Store

m. Nancy Wuethrich
b. 6 Aug. 1920
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Apostolic Christian
occupation: Homemaker/Bookkeeper
dau. of: John & Mary (Pelcey Wuethrich

Bill graduated from Leo High School and served 4 years 3 months and 13 days in the U. S. Army, serving in General Patons' 3rd Army, the 93rd Signal Battalion. He was wounded with shrapnel while in Germany. He held the rank of Corporal.

His wife Nancy is a Public Accountant and together they own "Klopfenstein Furniture" in Leo, Indiana. They not only sell furniture, they also lay linoleum and carpeting, as well as reupholster furniture.

In 1964 they were in a serious accident in Leo when the car door on the passenger side came open and Bill reached across Nancy to close the door and lost control of the car and hit a tree. They had some linoleum paste in the trunk of the car which came open and got into Nancy's wounds, she was hurt quite badly, but fully recovered.

They are the parents of 6 children: John William, Janet Lee, Lynn Marie, Loren Leon, Brent Allen and Bonnie Jo Klopfenstein.

5) John William Klopfenstein
b. 20 July 1948
m. 17 Jan. 1971
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Apostolic Christian
occupation: Furniture Business

m. Linda Kay Tonner
b. 14 Apr. 1949
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Apostolic Christian
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Curtis & Jeanett (Hireley) Tonner

John served 2 years in the U. S. Army at Fort Sam Houstan, and attended 2 years at International Business College. Linda also attended 2 years of International Business College. They are the parents of 2 children: Jennie Lee and Sheri Lynn Klopfenstein.

6) Jennie Lee Klopfenstein
b. 29 May 1972
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Sheri Lynn Klopfenstein
b. 29 Jan. 1974
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Janet Lee Klopfenstein
b. 31 Jan. 1951
m. 1 Nov. 1970
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Apostolic Christian
occupation: Homemaker

m. William Lee Hartman
b. 4 July 1949
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Apostolic Christian
occupation: Social Case Worker
son of: Gerald & Lilliam (Graber) Hartman

William Hartman served 2 years in Voluntary Service. He graduated from Southern Colorado State College.

They are the parents of 2 daughters: Angela Sue and Melissa Kay Hartman.

6) Angela Sue Hartman
b. 4 Oct. 1971

6) Melissa Kay Hartman
b. 22 June k974

5) Lynn Marie Klopfenstein
b. 23 Apr. 1953
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Apostolic Christian
occupation: Nurse

m. b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Loren Leon Klopfenstein
b. 5 Aug. 1955
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Apostolic Christian
occupation: Attending College/ Furniture Business

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Brent Allen Klopfenstein
b. 28 Dec. 1957
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Apostolic Christian
occupation: School/Furniture Business

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Bonnie Jo Klopfenstein
b. 6 Apr. 1962
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Apostolic Christian
occupation: Student

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

4) Richard Elton Klopfenstein
b. 22 Mar. 1922
m. 30 July 1948 Woodburn, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Brethren in Christ
occupation: Teacher

m. Mary Magdalene Steiner
b. 4 May 1926
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Brethren in Christ
occupation: School Teacher
dau. of:

Richard Klopfenstein served in the U. S. Army from 1943-46, a year and a half of which was spent in the European Theater of Operation. He has his B. S. Degree from Huntington College; M. S. in Education from Indiana University; and M. S. in Physical Education. He also has a Director's Degree in both Physical Education and Recreation from Indiana University. He has been Director of Athletics and Physical Education and Department Chairman for 21 years. He is also an American Red Cross First Aid Instructor. For 7 years he has been College Park Church Class leader and Sunday School teacher . He teaches at Huntington College.

Mary has earned her A. B. Degree from Wheaton College, as a music major in 1948 and in 1967 - Elementary Certification from Huntington College; and in 1974 her M. S. from Indiana University. She was music chairman for College Church for 5 years; organist and choir director; accompanist at large. Mary served on Y.M.C.A Board of Directors for 8 years; and secretary for 6 years. She was a public school teacher for 10 years; private music teacher, five years. She belongs to the Classroom Teachers Assoc.; and currently is secretary of Huntington College Auxiliary & Evening Missionary Society of the church.

They are the parents of 3 daughters: Judy Kay, Karen Sue, and Ann Renee Klopfenstein.

5) Judy Kay Klopfenstein
b. 9 Feb. 1950
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Brethren in Christ
occupation: Medical Technician

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

1967 - 72 Bachelor of Music in Performance, Wheaton College Conservatory. She attended Schiller College in Germany in 1973. She has her Medical Assistant Degree from Bryman Medical School, Indianapolis, Indiana.

5) Karen Sue Klopfenstein
b. 9 Oct. 1957
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Brethren in Christ
occupation: Student

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Karen is 1974-75 Junior at Huntington High School where she was awarded a Scholardhip from the Huntington High Art Dept. to Herron Art Institute, Indianapolis, Indiana.

5) Ann Renee Klopfenstein
b. 21 June, 1959
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Brethren in Christ
occupation: Student

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Ann is 1974-75 Sophomore at Huntington High School. The summer of 1975 she went on a European Summer Tour with the American Musical Ambassadors.

4) Helen June Klopfenstein
b. 30 June 1924
m. 8 Apr. 1944
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Apostolic Christian
occupation: Homemaker

m. Orange Wade Maxfield (Pete)
b. 14 Nov. 1921
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Apostolic Christian
occupation: Implement Dealer
son of: James & Lillian (Yoder) Maxfield

O. W. Maxfield was a Fighter Pilot with the U. S. Air Force 1942-45. He did not have any overseas duty, as the war terminated. He is an Implement Dealer for International Harvester. They reside in Leo, Indiana. And are the parents of 4 children: JYl Annette, James Alan, Julie Christine, and Jayne Leslie Maxfield.

5) Jyl Annette Maxfield
b. 3 Feb. 1946
m. 15 June 1968 Cedarville, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Apostolic Christian
occupation: Secretary/Homemaker

m. Kenneth Allen Norr
b. 13 Mar. 1947
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Apostolic Christian
occupation: Owner of Body Shop
son of: Robert & Dorothy (Meiss) Norr

Jyl attended Huntington College, graduating with Secretarial Degree. Her husband Robert served 6 months in Active Duty and $5\frac{1}{2}$ years, Reserve Duty.

They are the parents of one child, Jodi Ann Norr. They reside at 4031 Fitch Dr., Fort Wayne, Ind. 46806

6) Jodi Ann Norr
b. 12 Sept. 1974

5) James Alan Maxfield
b. 26 May 1949
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Mechanic

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

James attended Purdue University Regional Campus, Fort Wayne for 3 years. He works as a mechanic for Scherer & Maxfield, Inc., and lives in Leo, Indiana.

5) Julie Christine Maxfield
b. 20 Dec. 1956
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Apostolic Christian
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Julie graduated from High School 1975

5) Jayne Leslie Maxfield
b. 22 Oct. 1958
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Apostolic Christian
occupation: Student

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Jayne is a Junior in High School 1975-76

2) Abraham Myers Furnish

See information listed under first marriage.

3. m. Sylvia Estella Shutt
b. 31 Mar. 1865 Allen Co., Ind.
m. 27 Nov. 1892 Spencerville, Ind.
d. 20 May 1943 South Whitney, Ind.
cause: Bright's Disease
burial: Spencerville, Ind.
church: Methodist
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: S. S. & ( ) Shutt

Abraham, having become a widower for the second time employed Sylvia Shutt as his housekeeper, and someone to care for his 3 orphaned children. Sylvia was a local girl. Her father was a Medical Doctor, they lived opposite the Watson cemetery and she and Adella Furnish, Abraham's neice, were neighbor girls together, andsince Adella's mother died she and her brothers were being reared in the home of her grandparents, Charles and Rachel (Wyatt) Watson, they attended the Boots School together.

After a year and a half of being a widower, Abraham and Sylvia were married. Their marriage is recorded on the special page for that purpose in his large family Bible published in 1873 and it reads as follows:

"This certifies that A. M. Furnish and Sylvia E. Shutt were solemenly united by me in the Holy Bond of Matrimony at Spencerville, Ind. on the 27th day of November in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and 92 conformable to the Ordinance of God, and the Laws of the State.

In presence of	Signed
Mrs. J. W. Thomas	Rev. J. W. Thomas
J. M. Furnish & wife	Spencerville, Ind.

Abraham was 47 at the time of his third marriage his wife, Sylvia) was 24. They continued to live on the farm for 24 more years. This marriage was not without heartache. To this union three children were born, Paul Edwin, Mary Elnora and Esther Lucille. Only Paul lived to maturity, Mary Elnora was born and died the same day, 20 Oct. 1989, Esther Lucille was born 24 June, 1909 and died 23 days later, 17 July 1909, in her half-sister's (Bertha's) arms. The 3 children were all born in Spencerville, Indiana.

When Abraham was nearly 72 and Sylvia was almost 49 they sold the farm.

"Abraham Furnish sold to Lewis C. Holderman, W. D. Aug. 26, 1916 for $10400 N½ of SE¼ Sec. 36, Twp. 33, Range 13, Recorded Sept. 2, 1916. Bk 90 Pg. 281 21546."

They bought a brown two-story frame house in the north end of Fort Wayne not too far from the Rose Gardens on Lake Avenue.

Early in 1917, on 18 February, Abraham and Sylvia transferred their church membership from the Lutheran church in Spencerville, to the Crescent Evangelical

Church in Fort Wayne. (Later, after a church merger, it was known as the Cresent Evangelical United Brethren Church, and after still another merger is now the Crescent United Methodist Church.) Early in 1924, they moved to 1049 Northwood Blvd. Their son,Paul, and his family were already living at 1006 Northwood. They again transferred their church membership to a newly organized congregation known as Lakeside Methodist Episcopal Church becoming charter members. This was on 17 March, 1924. During this period the church was renamed the Forest Park Methodist Episcopal Church now known as the Forest Park United Methodist Church. The early wooden structure they attended has long since been replaced by the present brick church.

At the time of Abraham's death, 24 November 1924, he had lived less than a year at the Northwood address and had been a member of Forest Park Church for the same brief period.

He had been in poor health the last 9 years, he died in St Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne. The funeral was held at 10:30 o'clock Thursday morning at his home with the Reverend Herbert A. Clugston, pastor of the Forest Park church, officiating. There were no flowers, only a sheaf of wheat on the casket. To his family in retrospect, it was symbolic of a farmer's life lived in harmony with the good earth and dedicated to God. Burial was in the Spencerville cemetery where his first 2 wives, 2 deceased children and some brothers and sisters, as well as his parents are buried.

Sylvia remained a member of the Forest Park church and continued to live at the Northwood Blvd. address until she married Clarence Dirrim and moved to South Whitley. She transferred her membership to the South Whitley Methodist Church under the Reverend H. V. Cummins' ministry on 24 September 1933. (Since 1968, known as the United Methodist Church of South Whitley,) She resided in South Whitley, Indiana,until her death, 20 May, 1943. (Her second husband preceded her in death by one year.) She too was buried in the White City Cemetery in Spencerville, Indiana.

3) Paul Edwin Furnish
b. 2 Apr. 1894 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 9 Nov. 1916
d. 22 Jan. 1950
cause: Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease
burial: Leo Cemetery, Leo, Ind.
church: Spencerville Methodist
occupation: Railroad/Factory/School Custodian

m. Olive Mildred Jackson
b. 26 Aug. 1896
d. 20 June 1955
cause: ? Very Rare Disease
burial: Leo Cemetery, Leo, Ind.
church: Methodist, Spencerville
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Wallace & Dora Anne (Ginther) Jackson

Paul and Olive were married shortly after his parents sold their farm near Spencerville. They first lived in Fort Wayne then moved to a farm,in Spencer Twp. Dekalb Co., just east of Spencerville. Some years later they moved into the village of Spencerville where Paul did custodial work for the school and some carpentry work. He also worked at the Jack Factory in Spencerville at one time.

An interesting paragraph in a letter written by Adella (Furnish) Lochner, to her step-mother, Ada Furnish, in Michigan reads:

> "Feb. 16, 1910
> There was a great revival at Spencerville this winter, 103 conversions, David and Paul Furnish were among the number."

They were both active members of the Spencerville Methodist Episcopal Church. Olive died of a rare disease that caused dehydration, research has not found a cure.

Paul and Olive were the parents of six children: Rosemond Adelle, Doris Elaine, twins - Lavern Eileen and Lavon Eldeen, Marcella Marie and Velma Jean Furnish.

4) Rosemond Adelle Furnish
b. 8 Apr. 1918 Fort Wayne, Ind.
m. 1 Apr. 1939 Spencerville, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist
occupation: Homemaker

m. Curtis Argyle Northrup
b. 10 Sept. 1916 DeKalb Co., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Farmer
son of: Thayer & Lela (Shilling) Northrup

Rosemond attended school in Spencerville, and attended the Methodist church there. Curtis attended school in St. Joe, and attended the Lutheran church there. He also attended International Business School in Fort Wayne. They were married in the Methodist parsonage in Spencerville by the Reverend L. E. Clayton. They lived in Fort Wayne when they were first married, but later purchased a 160 acre farm in Spencer Twp. and have lived there ever since. They are crop farmers.

They are the parents of 2 children: Alan Lee and Diane Kay Northrup, both were born at home.

5) Alan Lee Northrup
b. 5 Feb. 1942 Fort Wayne, Ind.
m. 19 July 1960 Spencerville
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist
occupation: Press Machine Operator

m. Nila Sue LaRowe
b. 23 Apr. 1942 Concord Twp., St. Joe
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: William & Osie (Berryhill) LaRowe

Alan attended school in Spencerville and St. Joe. Nila attended school at St. Joe. They were married in the Spencerville Methodist Church by the Reverend Baxter. Alan works as a Press Machine Operator for the Dana Corp., Auburn, Indiana.

They are the parents of 4 children: Alan Wayne, Dawn Aleen, Scott Lynn and Jason D. Northrup.

6) Alan Wayne Northrup
b. 20 Aug. 1961 Auburn, Ind.

6) Dawn Aleen Northrup
b. 23 Sept. 1963 Calif.

6) Scott Lynn Northrup
b. 17 Sept. 1965 Auburn, Ind.

6) Jason C. Northrup
b. 24 May 1971 Auburn, Ind.

5) Diane Kay Northrup
b. 31 Dec. 1946 Fort Wayne Ind.
m. 26 Apr. 1968
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist
occupation: Homemaker

m. Steven Leroy Surface
b. 4 Sept. 1947 Auburn, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist
occupation: Machine Operator
son of: Jess & Lola (Chefley) Surface

Diane attended school in Spencerville, St. Joe and Butler, Indiana. Steven attended school in Mooresvill and Butler, Indiana. Diane attended the Methodist church in Spencerville, and Stephen Norris Chapel which is Methodist, however they were married in the Cedar Lake Church of Christ. Steven is a Heavy Axle Machine Operator for International Harvester, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

They are the parents of 2 children: Roxanne Ailene, (by her first marriage, and legally adopted by Steven Surface) and Tony Lynn Surface.

6) Roxanne Ailene Surface
b. 13 Aug. 1966

6) Tony Lynn Surface
b. 4 Feb. 1970

4) Doris Elaine Furnish
b. 1 Dec. 1919 Fort Wayne, Ind.
m. 13 June 1939 Louisville, Ky.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Homemaker

m. Derald Clifford Yoder
b. 4 Nov. 1915 Leo, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Brick Mason/Finish Carpenter
son of: Joseph J. & Esther M. (Garman) Yoder

They attend the Presbyterian church in Auburn, Indiana.

Doris and Derald are the parents of 3 children: Janet Linn, Chrys Ann, and Wende Jo Yoder.

5) Janet Linn Yoder
b. 26 Apr. 1943 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m. 11 Aug. 1962 Ft, Wayne, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Trinity English Lutheran
occupation: Homemaker

m. Melvyn Elmore Griswold
b. 20 Apr. 1942 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Trinity English Lutheran
occupation: Sales Representative
son of: Elmor Earl & Freida M. (Marolf) Griswold

Melvyn was in the U. S. Army, is a Vietnam Veteran. They have two children: Paul Christopher (adopted) and Jennifer Linn Griswold.

6) Paul Christopher Griswold
b. 8 Feb. 1970

6) Jennifer Linn Griswold
b. 16 July 1974

5) Chrys Ann Yoder
b. 3 Nov. 1945 Oakland, Calif.
m. 13 Mar. 1965 Angola, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Homemaker

m. Robert Lee Kurtz
b. 5 Mar. 1944 Fort Wayne, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Excavation Contractor
son of: John D. & Martha M. (Wengerd) Kurtz

Robert is a U. S. Army Vietnam Veteran. They attend the Presbyterian church in Auburn, and are the parents of one son: Bradley Derald Kurtz.

6) Bradley Derald Kurtz
b. 11 May 1972

5) Wende Jo Yoder
b. 2 Mar. 1952 Fort Wayne, Ind.
m. 26 June 1971 Auburn, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Homemaker

m. Michael Steven Stamets
b. 29 June 1950 Fort Wayne, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Meat Purchaser
son of: Donald R. & Barbara L. (Hayes) Stamets

They attend the Presbyterian church in Auburn, Indiana.

4) Lavern Eileen Furnish
b. 3 Nov. 1923 Fort Wayne, Ind.
m. 11 Mar. 1944 Fort Wayne, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Auburn Presbyterian
occupation:

m. David Rafine
b. 24 June 1917
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Machine Operator/Farmer
son of: doesn't know, orphan

Lavern is a twin, they were born in the Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne, Ind. She attended school in Spencerville. David is an orphan and attended school at the Methodist Ward Home in Pittsburg, Pa. They were married in the Fort Wayne Methodist Church, now known as the Crescent Avenue United Methodist Church, by the Reverend D. K. Finch. They lived in Fort Wayne until 1947 when they purchased a farm in Jackson Twp., DeKalb Co. In 1964 Lavern's car was hit in the rear by another car and suffered a severe whip lash, she finally had to have 4 cervical vertebrae fussed at Mayo Clinic to find relief. In 1973 David suffered a coronary, so now works at Phelps Dodge on maintanance on nights. They both like to set out trees as a hobby. Lavern also has several African Violets. They are the parents of 4 children: Ronald Lee, Linda Mae, Debra Ann and Rodney Lavon Rafine.

5) Ronald Lee Rafine
b. 11 Apr. 1937 Fort Wayne
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: U. S. Air Force

m. Christina Kay Burill
b. Reardan, Wash.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: George & Mabel ( ) Burill

Ronald Lee Rafine is the son of David Rafine by a previous marriage. He was born at home in Fort Wayne, Indiana. He attended school at St. Joe, Ind. and has made his home with his father and step-mother. He entered the service in 1955, and has chosen a career in the Air Force. Ronald and Christina are the parents of two children: Michelle Lavern and Richard John Rafine. Christina attended school in Ritzville, Washington.

6) Michelle Lavern Rafine
b. 26 Apr. 1963 Moses Lake, Wash.

Michelle was born at Larson Air Force Base at Moses Lake, Washington. She attends school at Pioneer Middle School, Steilacoom, Wash.

6) Richard John Rafine
b. 20 Jan. 1965 Moses Lake, Wash.

Richard was born at Larson Air Force Base, Moses Lake, Washington. He attends school at the Cherrydale School, Steilacoom, Wash.

5) Linda Mae Rafine
b. 3 Apr. 1945 Fort Wayne, Ind.
m. 21 Sept. 1963 Meese Chapel, Auburn
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Auburn Presbyterian
occupation: Homemaker

m. Dennis Lee VanZile
b. 26 Oct. 1944 Butler, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Auburn Presbyterian
occupation: Machine Operator
son of: Cecil & Doris (Fee) VanZile

Linda was born in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, Dennis was born at home. They both graduated from St. Joe High School. They were married in the Meese Chapel (Methodist) Auburn, a small country church, by the Reverend Klopfenstein. Dennis served in the U. S. Navy from 1962 to 1966. He works as a machine operator at General Electric, Fort Wayne, Indiana. They have one daughter: Stacey Lynn VanZile.

6) Stacy Lynn VanZile
b. 17 Aug. 1967 Auburn, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Debra Ann Rafine
b. 23 July 1949 Auburn, Ind.
m. 15 Mar. 1969 Auburn, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Auburn Presbyterian
occupation: System Analysist

m. Gordon Allen Shaw
b. 12 Apr. 1949 Angola, Ind.
d. 13 May 1970 Pleiku, Viet Nam
cause: Killed in action
burial: Woodlawn Cem., Auburn, Ind.
church: Auburn Nazarene
occupation: Machine Operator/M.P.
son of: Howard & Audrey F. ( ) Shaw

Debra was born in Sauder Hospital, Auburn, Gordon in Cameron Hospital, Angola. They both graduated from Auburn High School. Gordon worked at General Electric in Fort Wayne as a machine operator before entering the U. S. Army 3 Apr. 1969. He received his basic training at Fort Knox, Ky. and training for Military Police at Fort Gordon, Ga. He served in Quam Tri and Pleiku, Viet Nam. He was killed at Pleiku, Viet Nam and was a Corporal at the time of his death.

5) Rodney Lavon Rafine
b. 1 Mar. 1953 Auburn, Ind.
m. 26 Feb. 1972 Leo, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Machine Operator

m. Debra Ann Deunter
b. 5 Nov. 1952 Auburn, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Secretary
dau. of: Ronald & Stella (Hart) Deunter

Rodney was born in Sauder Hospital, Auburn, Indiana as Debra was also. Rodney graduated from Auburn High School and Debra from Leo High. They were married in the Leo United Methodist church by the Reverend Wilburn. Rodney works for the Dana Corp. in Fort Wayne as a Machine Operator, and Debra is a Secretary at the Grabill Bank, Grabill, Indiana.

4) Lavon Eldeen Furnish
b. 3 Nov. 1923 Fort Wayne, Ind.
m. 26 July 1947 Waynedale, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Purchasing Agent

m. Gloria Jeanne Williams
b. 11 May 1927
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Howard & Ruby (Lester) Williams

Lavon attended school in Spencerville, and a B. S. Degree from Indiana University in 1952. He served in the U. S. Army during World War II for 3 years. He served in the European Theater, and was a Staff Sgt. He is a Purchasing Agent for the Mead Corp., Dayton, Ohio.

Gloria attended school in Cincinnati and Wooster, Ohio. They were married in the Waynedale Methodist Church, Waynedale, Indiana. They are members of the South Park United Methodist Church in Dayton, and live on Dorothy Lane, Dayton. They have no children, but enjoy fishing, reading and sports.

4) Marcella Marie Furnish
b. 18 Aug. 1926
m. 6 Sept. 1946 Hammond, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Norris Chapel, U. Methodist
occupation: Homemaker

m. Edward Brown
b. 24 May 1919
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Norris Chapel, U. Methodist
occupation: Building Contractor
son of: Lawrence & Mildred (Likens) Brown, Waterloo, Ind.

They are the parents of 3 children: Michael Edward, Randall Lavon, Jeffery Alan Brown.

5) Michael Edward Brown
b. 22 Mar. 1948
m. 11 Apr. 1970
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Norris Chapel, U. Methodist
occupation: Machine Operator

m. Patricia Faulkner
b. 4 Dec. 1950
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Norris Chapel, U. Methodist
occupation: Homemaker/Student
dau. of: Robert & Bessie (Acres) Faulkner

Patricia is attending Indiana and Purdue Ext.

They are the parents of 2 children: Michelle Marie (Patricia's daughter by a previous marriage), and Michael Edward Brown.

6) Michelle Marie Brown
b. 7 Sept. 1968
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Michael Edward Brown II
b. 28 Aug. 1970
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Randall Lavon Brown
b. 21 Aug. 1950
m. 25 Aug. 1974
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Norris Chapel, U. Methodist
occupation: Machine Operator

m. Babetta Louise Smith
b. 6 Dec. 1955
d.
cause:
burial:
church: First Christian
occupation: Homemaker/Student
dau. of: William & Barbara (Hinkly) Smith

Babetta is a student at Indiana and Purdue University Extension.

5) Jeffery Alan Brown
b. 22 Feb. 1955
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

4) Velma Jean Furnish
b. 6 Aug. 1928
m. 24 Nov. 1946 Fort Wayne, Ind.
cause:
burial:
church: Norris Chapel, U. Methodist
occupation: Homemaker

m. Elson H. Brown
b. 16 Jan. 1922
cause: Coronary
burial: Waterloo Memorial Cemetery
church: Norris Chapel, U. Methodist
occupation: Building Contractor
son of: Lawrence & Mildred (Likens) Brown

Velma and Elson were married in the Waynedale Methodist church, Fort Wayne. Two sisters married brothers. Velma's older sister Marcella married Elson's older brother Edward. Elson served in the 115th U. S. Air Force during World War II and was a P. O. W. He was a building contractor, and suffered a fatal coronary in 1974.

They are the parents of 5 children: Gary Elson, Monte Lee, Leslee Paul, Lisa Maureen and Dawn Christine Brown.

5) Gary Elson Brown
b. 26 July 1948
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Norris Chapel, U. Methodist
occupation: Attorney at Law

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Gary is a graduate of Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, and Indiana School of Law. He passed his Bar Exam 6 Oct. 1973.

5) Monte Lee Brown
b. 26 Jan. 1953
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Norris Chapel, U. Methodist
occupation: Student Pre-Law.

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Monte is attending Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo. (1975)

5) Leslee Paul Brown
b. 1 Mar. 1955
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Norris Chapel, U. Methodist
occupation: Student Pre-Med

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Leslee is attending Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo. (1975)

5) Lisa Moureen Brown
b. 30 Mar. 1958
m.
d.
cause:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:

burial:	church:
church: Norris Chapel, U. Methodist	occupation:
occupation:	son of:

Lisa is a senior at DeKalb High School. (1975)

5) Dawn Christine Brown m.

b. 5 Apr. 1963	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church: Norris Chapel, U. Methodist	occupation:
occupation:	son of:

Dawn is a 7th grader at McKinney Jr. High. (1975)

3) Mary Elnora Furnish
b. 20 Oct. 1898 Spencerville
d. 20 Oct. 1898 Spencerville
cause: unknown
burial: Spencerville, Ind.

3) Esther Lucille Furnish
b. 24 June 1909 Spencerville
d. 17 July 1909 Spencerville
cause:
burial: Spencerville, Ind.

Esther died in the arms of her half-sister, Bertha, only 23 days old.

Above: Margaret (Furnish) Hollabaugh & Nancy (Furnish) Brown
Below: David & Margaret Hollabaugh and daughter

David & Margaret Hollabaugh & their daughter. Their home in Nebraska.

MARGARET JANE FURNISH

2) Margaret Jane Furnish
b. 21 Jan. 1847 Ashland Co., O.
m. 10 Apr. 1873 Spencerville, Ind.
d. 17 July 1934 Nebraska City, Neb.
cause: Stroke of paralysis
burial: Wyuka Cem., Nebraska City
church: Presbyterian
occupation: School Teacher/Homemaker

m. William David Hollabaugh
b. 24 July 1847 Gettysburg, Pa.
d. 4 Jan. 1936 Nebraska City, Neb.
cause: Coronary
burial: Wyuka Cem., Nebraska City
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Carpenter/Farmer
son of: George & Elizabeth (Bittinger) Hollabaugh

Margaret Jane Furnish was born in Clear Creek Twp., Ashland Co., Ohio, near Savannah. Her family had moved here from Stark Co., in 1944 and purchased twenty-five acres of land. It was while living here that the last five of their eleven children were born. In 1860, when Margaret was a girl of thirteen years of age, her parents sold the property in Ohio and moved to Jackson Twp., DeKalb Co., Indiana near Spencerville. Margaret attended the common schools through high school, arithmetic being her favorite subject.

She married William David Hollabaugh on 10 April 1873. They were married at Spencerville by the Reverend J. H. G. Prim. Shortly after their marriage they moved to Nebraska, as cemetery records show that on 14 Sept. 1874 W. D. Hollabaugh bought cemetery lots in Wyuka Cemetery, Nebraska City. Their infant daughter, Caroline Elizabeth, had died in August of 1874 with Chlorea Infantum.

Nearly a decade after moving to Nebraska, in a letter to her sister and brother-in-law, Martha and Isaac Grosh, she gives us a glimpse of her life in the West.

"Nebraska City, Nebraska
December 10th 1882

"Dear Brother and Sister and family:

It seems an age almost since we heard from you so thought I would write and remind you that you have friends away out in the wilds of Nebraska who think of you lovingly, often tearfully, when the width of dreary miles loom up with painful distinctness. How I wish for wings or a fortune that would convey me to your home nest that I might see you face to face once more. Do you ever think of the good old times we enjoyed around the fireside at home. So free from all care and responsibility. I do and often wonder why we were so impatient of home rule and discipline.

Don't think I am growing morbid, for I have too much to do to get the blues, so now will branch off to that never failing topic of interest, our home, husbands and boys.

As this is Sabbath eve the two Will's have gone to church. There is a lady preacher tonight, a Mrs. Nine, president of the Womans Foreign Missionary Society. She is quite an able speaker. Willie, Bertie and I attend Sabbath School every Sunday. I have a class of eight little girls.

Bertie and Eugene are in bed sound asleep so you see I have the evening all to myself.

When are you all coming to pay our visit back, you certainly did not prize it very much or you would have come before this time."

"Father wrote me what a nice time you all had at the Golden Wedding. And while you were there did you cast a thought for the absent ones? We have not had a line from any of you since.

The two older boys attend school, they have not missed a day this term so far and school commenced in September. Gene is as cute as he can be, better looking than either of the others.

Have you heard that they have a little girl out at brother John's? She is about six weeks old. We have not been to see her yet. Will started last Saturday, and got as far as the depot but business arrangements detained him so he could not go.

And now dear friends I must bring this long letter to a close, hoping it may find you as it leaves us, well and also that God in his infinite mercy will allow us to behold each others face once more in this beautiful world of ours. If not in that which is to come. When you write home give our love to all the friends and reserve a large portion for yourselves.

From your Brother and Sister
W. D. and M. J. Hollabaugh"

Margaret had enjoyed good health for most of her 87 years. As a youth she suffered with Typhoid Fever and late in life underwent internal surgery. She taught school for eight years, and enjoyed reading and needlework. At 87 she suffered a fatal stroke of paralysis and died 17 July 1934 in Nebraska City. She was buried on the 19th - West ½ lot 343 Old Ground 2nd grave south side, Wyuka cemetery.

The obituary of William D. Hollabaugh from a newspaper clipping reads:

"DEATH COMES TO W. D. HOLLABAUGH - Pioneer Farmer Drops Dead in Post Office.

William David Hollabaugh, 88, who, as a youth, watched the Battle of Gettysburg from a point of vantage in a tree and a few months later heard President Abraham Lincoln speak his immortal words at Gettysburg, dropped dead in Nebraska City Saturday morning.

Mr. Hollabaugh died in the post office, a building which he helped to build. His heart failed him. Mr Hollabaugh had not been ill before his sudden death came.

Born in Gettysburg, Pa., July 24, 1847, he lived there as a boy until after the Civil War. He was married April 10, 1873 to Margaret Jane Furnish at Spencerville, Ind, then he came to Nebraska.

Mr. Hollabaugh worked as a skilled carpenter on the Nebraska City post office when it was erected in 1886-88. For years he was a farmer southwest of Nebraska City.

Mr. Hollabaugh is survived by six children: W. E. and J. A. of Nebraska City; H. E. Hollabaugh of Overbrook, Kas.; Mrs Mabel McWilliams, Mrs Lulu Dwyer and Mrs Ethel Niemann, of Nebraska City. Two sisters, Mary Hennigh, Carlisle, Pa., and Anna Pensyl, Sibley, Iowa, and two brothers, J. B. Hollabaugh, Biglerville, Pa., and Levi Hollabaugh, St. Joseph, Indiana, also survive. Mrs. Hollabaugh died July 17, 1934, in Nebraska City.

Mr. Hollabaugh was a member of the Presbyterian church.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon at the Karstens-Patterson chapel with Dr. Harry Markley in charge. Burial will be at Wyuka cemetery."

Mr. Hollabaugh was buried 6 January 1936. (Age 88y 5m 10d) West ½ Lot 343 Old Ground South side, Wyuka cemetery, Nebraska City, Nebraska.

William and Margaret had spent many anniversaries together, their 59th being their last. They had had a good life together. Will too had been in good health most of his life. In his middle years he had had a bout with pneumonia, and in late years had had prostate surgery. He retired in 1909, and enjoyed hunting and fishing. Will was the son of George Hollabaugh (b. 11 July 1808; d. 20 Aug. 1877) and Elizabeth Bittinger (b. 17 Mar. 1815, Gettysburg, Pa; d. 6 Aug. 1896, Gettysburg, Pa. Will's great-grandfather, Michael Bittinger (1730 - d. 29 May 1812, Gettysburg, Pa. He served in the Revolutionary War, in Capt. George Long's Co., 6th, York County Militia. Michaels brother, Jacob Bittinger, served in the same Co., York Militia.

Will was educated in the common schools, and learned the trade of the carpenter. He worked at this trade until he was 45 and then went to farming.

Will and Margaret were the parents of seven children: Caroline Elizabeth, William Edmond, John Albert, Horace Eugene, Mabel Maud, Lulu Grace and Ethel Ellaine Hollabaugh.

Margaret was the last of her 10 sisters and brothers to die. She was 87y 5m 26d at time of her death.

Both were members of the First Presbyterian Church in Nebraska City, Nebraska.

3) Caroline Elizabeth Hollabaugh
b. 26 Dec. 1873
d. Aug. 1874
cause: Chlorea Infantum
burial: Wyuka Cemetery, Nebraska City, Neb.

3) William Edmond Hollabaugh
b. 26 Dec. 1873
m. never married
d. 12 Mar. 1944 Nebraska City, Neb.
cause: Stomach Ulcers
burial: Wyuka Cemetery, Nebraska City, Neb.
occupation: Piano Tuner

As a young man, about twenty, William fell off a hay wagon and hit his head. After the accident he gradually went blind. The newspaper clipping listed his middle initial as A. instead of E. for Edmund. and reads as follows:

> "W. A. HOLLABAUGH DIES SUNDAY NIGHT - Well Known Blind Man Passes After Lingering Illness
>
> William A. Hollabaugh, 70, well known Nebraska City blind man, died at St. Mary's Hospital Sunday evening, March 12, at 9:15 o'clock following an illness of several months.
>
> Born in Nebraska City, Dec. 26, 1873, the son of William and Margaret Hollabaugh, he always lived here. He received his education in the public schools of this city and at the School for the Blind where he learned piano tuning, a trade he followed for many years.
>
> Surviving are two brothers and three sisters, John A., Nebraska City; H. Eugene, Overbrook, Kas; Mrs Mabel McWilliams, Mrs Lulu Dwyer and Mrs. Ethel Niemann, Nebraska City.

"Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 2 p. m. at Karstens-Patterson chapel with the Reverend James Harris conducting the service. Burial will be in Wyuka cemetery, Nebraska City."

"Pallbearers will be John C. Miller, Herbert Schwaderer, Varro E. Tyler, George Lathrop, Carl Ryder and C. L. Kelly."

He was buried on the 14th of March - West ½ Lot 343 Old Ground S. side.

3) John Albert Hollabaugh
b. 5 Mar. 1876 Nebraska City, Neb.
m. 4 Apr. 1906 Howe, Neb.
d. 14 Sept. 1951 Nebraska City, Neb.
cause: Cancer
burial: Wyuka cemetery, Neb. City
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Farmer

m. Mamie L. Rhodes
b. 25 July 1887
d. June 1962
cause:
burial: Wyuka cemetery, Neb. City
church:
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: George & ( )
Rhodes

John attended the common schools in Nebraska City, he was musical as well as a natural machanic. In his prime he was 6 ft. tall and weighed 165 pounds.

The Nebraska City News-Press September 14, 1951 has his obituary as follows:

John A. Hollabaugh, 75 year old farmer of southwest of Nebraska City, died early Friday at his home after a two-year illness.

Mr. Hollabaugh was born March 5, 1876 at Nebraska City, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hollabaugh. On April 4, 1906 he married Mamie L. Rhodes at Howe, Neb.

He always had farmed and was a Presbyterian.

Surviving are Mrs. Hollabaugh and their two children, Mrs. Nellie Davidson, Washington, D. C. and Richard Hollabaugh, Okmulgee, Okla.

Also surviving are three sisters, Mrs Mabel McWilliams, LaMesa, Calif., Mrs Lulu Dwyer, city, and Mrs Emil Niemann, city.

Services will be held Monday at 2 p. m. at the Peterson Mortuary with the Rev. John A. Williams in charge. Burial at Wyuka.

The family requests no flowers.

Pallbearers will be Albert Weible, Harry and Robert Lechner, Henry Rohse, Paul Wieckhorst and Ernest Janssen."

John was buried on the 17th of September in the Parks addition 4th Division, Grave I South ½ Lot 60. His wife was buried June 30th, 1962, next to her husband in grave II in the Wyuka cemetery, Nebraska City, Nebraska.

4) Nellie Hollabaugh m. Davidson

b.	Apr. 1907 Nebraska City, Neb.	b.	
m.		d.	
d		cause:	
cause:		burial:	
burial:		church:	
church:		occupation:	
occupation:		son of:	

Nellie Hollabaugh was born on the farm outside Nebraska City, Nebraska. She Attended school there, and was a very capable person who was interested in a good life. She was a good sales lady. Her husband worked the farm and she did all the marketing of the produce. She was the executive of the farm.

4) Richard Hollabaugh m.

b.	1910 Nebraska City, Neb.	b.	
m.		d.	
d.		cause:	
cause:		burial:	
burial:		church:	
church:		occupation:	
occupation:		dau. of:	

Richard Hollabaugh was born on the farm outside Nebraska City, Nebraska. He attended the local schools. He also attended West Point for a short while.

3) Horace Eugene Hollabaugh 1. m. Fanny Jennings

b. 19 Sept. 1880 Nebraska City, Neb.	b.
m. 25 Dec. 1902 Nebraska City, Neb.	d. 1973
d. 26 May 1947	cause: Cancer/Liver Trouble
cause: Abdominal cancer	burial: Overbrook, Kansas
burial: Overbrook, Kansas	church:
church:	occupation:
occupation: Farmer	dau. of: William F. & ( ) Jennings

Eugene was always a happy person, easy to get along with. He was a Mason. In his prime Eugene was 6 ft. tall and weighed 220 lbs. He liked to hunt, and was a farmer. They resided on a farm near Overbrook, Kansas. He was a good farmer. To this issue one daughter was born, Helen Hollabaugh.

4) Helen Hollabaugh m. Hartzell

b. 1907 Overbrook, Kansas	b.
m.	d.
d. 1971	cause:
cause: Abdominal cancer	burial:
burial: Laurence, Kansas	church:
church:	occupation:
occupation: Secretary	son of:

Helen Hollabaugh was born in 1907 (?) at Overbrook, Kansas, she attended the common schools there, and is remembered as being a "very capable" person. She died in 1971 (?) of abdominal cancer. After her first husband died she remarried. Her first husband died in World War II.

3) Mabel Maude Hollabaugh
b. 4 July 1884 Nebraska City, Neb.
m. 1904-5 Neb. City, Neb.
d. Aug. 1962
cause: Parkinson's Disease
burial: Nebraska City, Neb.
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Homemaker/Teacher

m. Ross VanSant McWilliams
b. 1880 Freedom, Pa.
d. 2 Oct. 1947
cause: Stroke
burial: Nebraska City, Neb.
church:
occupation: Farmer
son of:

Mabel attended the common schools in Nebraska City, and taught one year before she was married. She liked to sew and was a good seamstress. She was 5 ft. 6 in. tall. She married Ross McWilliams in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. They were married by Dr. Garvin.

Ross was a salesman for Wilson's Meat Company, then later became a farmer.

To this union four children were born, Harvey H., Margaret Sue and twins, John and Don McWilliams.

4) Harvey H. McWilliams m. Silva
b. Apr. 1906 Nebraska City, Neb. b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: occupation:
occupation: dau. of:

Harvey McWilliams and Silva were the parents of two children, a daughter, Elizabeth and a son,

5) Elizabeth m. Dohm
b. b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: occupation:
occupation: son of:

5) m.
b. b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: occupation:
occupation: dau. of:

4) Margaret Sue McWilliams m. Frank Caslett
b. Apr. 1909 Nebraska City, Neb. b.
m. 1936? Nebraska City, Neb. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: occupation: Insurance Salesman
occupation: Teacher/Homemaker son of:

Margaret McWilliams was a teacher in Hamburg, Iowa before she was married. Her husband is an Insurance Salesman.

They are the parents of three daughters, Mariline, Louise and Linda Caslett.

5) Mariline Caslett
b.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Farmer
son of:

5) Louise Caslett
b.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Linda Caslett
b.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: College Professor

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Linda is a Professor in a College near Knoxville, Tennessee.

4) John McWilliams
b. Apr. 1912 Nebraska City, Neb.
m.
d. 1949
cause: Alcoholism
burial: Nebraska City, Neb.
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Meat Salesman

m. Lucille Stahult
b. Nebraska City, Neb.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

John was a twin, his brother is Don.
To this union one son was born, John McWilliams.
Sometime after her husbands death Lucille married Joe Littiell.

5) John McWilliams
b.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

4) Don McWilliams
b. Apr. 1912 Nebraska City, Neb.
m.
d,
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Salesman

m. Nina Kuse
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker

They are the parents of one daughter, Donna McWilliams.

5) Donna McWilliams
b.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

3) Lulu Grace Hollabaugh
b. 24 Jan. 1887 Nebraska City, Neb.
m. 6 June 1906
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: School Teacher/Homemaker

m. Chester Edward Dwyer
b. 17 July 1879 Lynn, Mass.
d. 2 July 1919 Lincoln, Neb.
cause: "brain trouble"
burial: Wyuka cemetery, Neb. City
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Agriculturist/Photographer
son of: Francis Edward & Anselina
( ) Dwyer

Lulu rode a horse to and from the country school she attended in Nebraska as a child. She later graduated from Peru Normal College. She taught school several years and then became one of the Principals in the Nebraska City Schools, and served in that capacity for fifteen years. She was 5 ft. 8 in. tall and weighed 155 lbs.

Lulu and Chester E. Dwyer were married by the Reverend C. A. Mastin, a Methodist minister, 6 June 1906. They were married at her parents farm home, in the yard, under a large tree. At the reception that followed the wedding ceremony, they forgot to serve the fresh strawberries and cream they had prepared for the occasion. They took a wedding trip to Lynn, Mass. to visit Chester's parents as they were not able to attend the wedding. They traveled by train, boat and carriage, and stayed for a month.

A newspaper clipping contained the following obituary of Chester Dwyer:

"CHESTER E. DWYER IS DEAD - Former Manager of Arbor Lodge Passed Away Yesterday at Lincoln.

Chester Edward Dwyer, who had been a patient at a Lincoln hospital for the past year, died yesterday at 6:30 o'clock. Brain trouble was the cause of death. For the past few weeks his condition had been serious and death was not unexpected.

He was born in Lynn, Mass., July 17, 1879, where he grew to young manhood. After graduating from the schools of his native city he attended the Massachusetts Agricultural College and graduated with the class of 1902. Shortly after graduating he came to this city as manager of the Arbor Lodge farm and continued in that position until failing health caused him to resign about two years ago. As his condition became worse he was taken to the hospitat at Lincoln for treatment but failed to find relief from his malady. During the time of his management of Arbor Lodge his skill as an agriculturist became known throughout southeastern Nebraska and it was through his efficient direction of the estate that its products became popular throughout the west. He was a conscientious and painstaking manager and his efforts were highly appreciated by the owner of the estate, Jay Morton. He was well known and highly esteemed in this community and his death will be sad news to his many friends.

June 6, 1906, he was united in marriage to Miss Lulu Hollabaugh, well known young woman of this city, who with two sons, Raymond and Paul Dwyer, survive. He is also survived by his parents, three brothers and one sister residing in Massachusetts.

The body will arrive here this afternoon over the Burlington. The funeral announcement will be made later."

Chester was buried in Wyuka Cemetery, Nebraska City, Nebraska. He was also an accomplished Photographer, taking pictures for the Morton family and around the lodge in his spare time.

Arbor Lodge is now a State Historical Park. It is located on the west edge of Nebraska City on U. S. Highway 73 and 75. It consists of 65 acres, with a 52 room mansion, the former home of J. Sterling Morton, founder of Arbor Day. He was appointed Secretary of Agriculture by President Cleveland in 1893. In 1872, Morton presented a resolution to the State Board of Agriculture calling for an annual tree-planting day to be known as Arbor Day. On March 31, 1874, Governor Robert Furnas issued the first Arbor Day proclamation. In 1923 the heirs of J. Sterling Morton willed the property to the State of Nebraska for "park purposes and reservations to conserve forest, animal and bird life".

Besides the Mansion there is also the stables with many horse-drawn vehicles, such as a stagecoach, surrey, sleigh and some coaches. Also it houses a hand-operated fire engine.

Over one-hundred and sixty species and varieties are growing on this land near Nebraska City. At the Morton arboretum at Lisle, Illionis, there are over eighteen-hundred species of woody plants, including about all the American trees and shrubs as well as most of the exotics.

On the Memorial monument at Arbor Lodge, which was dedicated by former president Grover Cleveland in 1905, is the inscription from the writings of Morton:

"Other Holidays Repose upon the Past--
Arbor Day Proposes for the future."

Lulu (Hollabaugh) Dwyer was active in the Presbyterian Church, it's activities and the Womans Club in her younger years. She got her teaching degree (2 years) after her children were born and still small. Her mother cared for the children, who were both born at Arbor Lodge, while Lulu attended Normal School.

They were the parents of two sons, Raymond Chester and Paul Edward Dwyer.

4) Raymond Chester Dwyer
b. 11 Aug. 1907 Nebraska City, Neb.
m. 12 June 1937 Nebraska City, Neb.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Electrical Engineer

m. Ellen Marie Ott
b. 12 Oct. 1914, Nebraska City, Neb.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Homemaker/Bookkeeper
dau. of: Charles and Marcia (McFarland) Ott

Raymond Dwyer was born at Arbor Lodge, he attended school in Nebraska City and the University of Nebraska, graduating in 1932 with a Degree in Electrical Engineering. He worked in Iowa for a while then moved to Hastings, Nebraska where he owned and operated the A & W (Root-Beer & Fast-Food Franchise Drive-in) for twenty years. He retired in 1973. His hobbies are sewing, woodwork, building and repairing electrical things. When he was going to school he remodeled his mother's home (it took him two years.) He put paneling (solid wood) on the walls, it is still beautiful today. He is a happy fun type of person to be around, even though he has been troubled with ulcers of the stomach. He became seriously ill last winter and was hospitalized from March 1 to 20, 1976. He had surgery on the 4th. He was readmitted on the 22nd and underwent surgery on the 23rd on the prostate. So two major surgical operations in 19 days was quite an ordeal, but he is making good progress.

Raymond and Ellen are the parents of two daughters, Carol Sue and Janice Rae Dwyer.

5) **Carol Sue Dwyer**
b. 20 May 1942 Atlantic, Iowa
m. 8 Apr. 1961 Hastings, Neb.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Homemaker

m. **Dale Lee Strasburg**
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Assistant Tax Analyst
son of: Godfrey Gustave & Ethel Elaine (Hornberger) Strasburg

Carol graduated from Hastings High School in 1960. Dale graduated from Blue Hill High School in 1959 (Neb). They both graduated in 1963 from the Lincoln School of Commerce in Junior Accounting. Dale is presently (1976) employed with Central Telephone & Utilities Corp. as "Assistant Tax Analyst". He has been with them $4\frac{1}{2}$ years.

Carol is presently Worthy Matron of Lincoln Chapter #148 Order of Eastern Star and Dale is presently Worshipful Master of Liberty Lodge No. 300 A. F. & A. M., Lincoln, Nebraska.

They live near Wagon-Train Lake at Hickman, Nebraska (about 15 mi. south of Lincoln).

They are the parents of three daughters, Crystal Sue, Cassandra Sue, and Carmel Sue Strasburg.

6) Crystal Sue Strasburg
b. 28 Mar. 1967 Lincoln, Neb.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Cassandra Sue Strasburg
b. 31 Jan. 1969 Omaha, Neb.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Carmel Sue Strasburg
b. 9 Jan. 1970 Lincoln, Neb.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Janice Rae Dwyer
b. 17 Sept. 1945 Atlantic, Iowa
m. 16 Mar. 1968 Rochester, N. Y.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian
occupation: Homemaker

m. Theodore (Tod) J. Thomas
b. 17 July 1943 Rochester, N. Y.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: Senior Marketing Research Analyst
son of: Theodore S. & Cynthia Rhea (Hardwick) Thomas

Janice graduated from Hastings High School in 1962 and from the Lincoln School of Commerce (Lincoln, Neb., in 1963. Tod received a BS Degree in Chemical Engineering from Clarkson College of Technology in Potsdam, New York in 1965 and his MBA Degree from the University of Delaware in 1970. Both are quite active in sports; particularly tennis, bowling and golf.

They did live in York, Penn. until this spring (1976) when they moved to Parkersville, West Virginia and are looking forward to the birth of their first child sometime in August (supposedly on it's grandfather's birthday, the 11th).

4) Paul Edward Dwyer
b. 31 Mar. 1910 Nebraska City, Neb.
m. 1 Jan. 1937 Nebraska City
d. 9 Dec. 1971
cause: Train-Car accident
church: Disciples of Christ (Christian)
burial: Nebraska City
occupation: Farmer

m. Wilma Pearl Delehoy
b. 20 June, 1907 Blue Hill, Neb.
d.
cause:
church: Disciples of Christ (Christian)
burial:
occupation: Homemaker:
dau. of: John & Sarah Ellen (Lambert) Delehoy

Paul was born at Arbor Lodge, he lived in Nebraska City all of his life. Both he and his wife were deaf from birth. They met at the Nebraska School for the Deaf in Omaha. They both graduated from the school. Paul was good at woodwork and Wilma was good in sports as a student. Paul farmed near Nebraska City from 1936 until his death in 1971. He was a good farmer and much respected in his community. They sold eggs in Omaha for many years. He loved children and was always very friendly with people and children really loved him. He was able to communicate with them without language. To this union two children were born, Karen Kay and Robert David Dwyer.

5) Karen Kay Dwyer 1. m. Donald Moyer
b. 2 Sept. 1942 Nebraska City, Neb. b.
m. 1963 Nebraska City, Neb. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: Christian occupation:
occupation: Homemaker son of:

To this union 4 children were born, Debra Lynn, Gary Dean, David Donald, and James Paul Moyer. Karen and Donald were divorced in May 1974.

6) Debra Lynn Moyer m.
b. 17 Apr. 1963 b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: occupation:
occupation: son of:

6) Gary Dean Moyer m.
b. 28 June 1964 b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: occupation:
occupation: dau. of:

6) David Donald Moyer m.
b. 10 Nov. 1967 b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: occupation:
occupation: dau. of:

6) James Paul Moyer
b. 10 June 1970
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Karen Kay Dwyer Moyer
m. 29 June 1974 Auburn, Neb.

Information given with first marriage

2. m. Thomas William Weston
b. 15 Nov. 1925 Springfield, Illionis
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of: Mose & Wilhelimina ( ) Weston

They both like hunting, fishing camping and working in the garden. Tom was in the Navy for 2 years during World War II.

5) Robert David Dwyer
b. 7 Nov. 1945 Nebraska City, Neb.
m. 18 Aug. 1967 Lincoln, Neb.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Church of Christ/ Presbyterian
occupation: Ag. Teacher/Farm Manager

m. Beth Marie Rose
b. 20 Nov. 1944 Omaha, Neb.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Church of Christ/Presbyterian
occupation: Teacher/Homemaker
dau. of: Kenneth D. & Margaret Ellen (McMaster) Rose

Robert grew up on the farm at Nebraska City helping his father with the farming. Both his father and mother were deaf. He attended school in Nebraska City and the University of Nebraska..Neighbours and friends helped in his growing up by taking him with them when they went fishing, etc. He taught Agriculture for 6 years, and in 1975 quit teaching and took a position as Farm Manager at Wayne, Nebraska. He is the manager of 75 farms, which keeps him busy, but he loves it. They live on the outskirts of town where they enjoy the country living with the convenience of living in town.

Beth is one of seven children. Her father is a Medical Doctor. He was a General Practitioner, then for 15 years at the University of Nebraska Health Center. He developed the Physical Fitness Lab. there. Now he is on the Emergency Room Staff at Bryon Memorial Hospital in Lincoln, Nebraska. He has written a book "The Lazy Man's Guide to Physical Fitness," with another man.

Her parents usually took she and her sisters and brothers on camping or other outdoor type vacations. She worked as a counselor for many years at a Camp Fire Girl's Camp, as she has a deep interest and love of nature. She graduated from the the University of Nebraska in 1966, and taught grade school until they adopted their

first child. She was nine days old when they adopted her.

Bob and Beth met at the Ice Cream Store at the University. They were both working there. Beth in the retail store and Bob in the back making the ice cream and cheese. At the end of the year they were engaged. Beth went off to Hastings, Nebraska to teach and Bob continued at school, after a year of Beth getting on the bus every Friday night and coming home to Lincoln and returning Sunday night on the train, they were married that summer. They moved into the same first floor apartment that her folks lived in when they were first married. (Her grandfather had owned the house and made it into apartments for her Mom and Dad. They bought the whole house and lived in it as a family home until the summer of 1967 when they built a house in the country near Lincoln) so after they moved they put it back into apartments and Beth and Bob rented the first floor.

Except for their honeymoon to the Tetons most of their trips have been camping vacations. They love to camp and both of their girls went camping at early ages (Angela at 6 months, Heather at 10 months). They enjoy most everything related to the out-of-doors. They have been over most of the Western part of the States and Canada camping.

They also enjoy the work of the church. In Suttan,Nebraska they were members of the United Church of Christ, where Beth taught Sunday School and served on the Board of Trustees. Bob was on the Outreach Board and did work for the State Church. In Wayne they have joined the Presbyterian Church.

They are the parents of two daughters: Angela Marie and Heather Elaine Dwyer.

6) Angela Marie Dwyer
b. 27 Jan. 1971
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Heather Elaine Dwyer
b. 26 July 1972
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

3) Ethel Elaine Hollabaugh
b. 13 Oct. 1891 Nebraska City, Neb.
m. 16 May 1917
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian

m. William Emil Niemann
b. 10 Mar. 1887 Nebraska City, Neb.
d. 19 July 1960
cause: Parkinson Disease
burial: Wyuks Cem., Nebraska City
church: Presbyterian
son of:

Ethel Hollabaugh attended the common schools in Nebraska City through the 11th grade. Her favorite subjects were History and Music. At age 30 she amd Emil Niemann were married. They were married by the Reverend Arthur Perry.

Emil had his own milk company known as the "W. E. Niemann Milk Man." He sold milk retail. He served a two year term as Mayor of Nebraska City, about 1946-47.

Both Ethel and Emil were active members of the First Presbyterian Church in Nebraska City.

They were the parents of one son, Harold Emil Niemann.

4) Harold Emil Niemann
b. 9 Feb. 1918 Nebraska City, Neb.
m. 10 Mar. 1939 Marysville, Kan.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Advertising

m. Helen Josephine Severa
b. 17 May 1918
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Joseph S. & Emma (Chlebourne) Severa

Hal Niemann attended school in Nebraska City, the University of Nebraska and Northwestern University, Evanston, Illionis. He has a A. B. Degree in Journalism and a Minor in Advertising. He is President of 'Hal Niemann Associates' - Advertising - Public Relations with headquarters in Denver, Colorado.

Helen attended school in Lincoln, Nebraska, the University of Nebraska and also at Northwestern University. She doesn't quite have her Degree but had pursued the same courses as Hal.

They enjoy the out-of-doors, fishing and camping and are delighted with their 12 grandchildren.

They are the parents of three children: Brand Lee, Gary Lance, and Sherry Niemann.

5) Brand Lee Niemann
b. 6 June 1941
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Mormon
occupation: Meteorologist

m. Moani Johannsen
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Mormon
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of:

Brand has his Masters Degree in Meteorology from the University of Utah. He is very musical, and has been all through school. He plays Timpani (Kettledrums) with the Utah Symphany Orchastra. He works for the Power companies on environmental studies with the nuclear power plants etc.

Moani sings in the Mormon Tabernacle Choir.

5) Gary Lance Niemann
b. 19 July 1943
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Pediatrician

m. Judith Ann Lemke
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Gary Niemann is a Pediatrician in Denver, Colorado.

5) Sherry Niemann m. Marc Faulker

b.	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church:	occupation:
occupation:	son of:

Sherry was born with an 85% hearing loss but with the help of hearing aides and training she has her Degree in teaching from the University of Utah, and is working on her Masters. They live in Salt Lake City and are expecting their first child in 1976.

6) m.

b.	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church:	occupation:
occupation:	of:

James & Ida Furnish & children:
Sudia, David & Ralph

The James Furnish Residence
Spencerville, Indiana

JAMES MADISON FURNISH

2) James Madison Furnish
b. 26 Jan. 1849 Ashland Co., O.
m. 13 May 1880
d. 15 Sept. 1924 Spencerville, Ind.
cause: Prostate enlargment/Uremia
burial: Spencerville, Ind.
church: Lutheran
occupation: Farmer:

m. Ida Alice Steward
b. 16 Jan. 1859 DeKalb Co., Ind.
d. 16 Dec. 1906 Spencerville, Ind.
cause: Coronary
burial: Spencerville, Ind.
church: Lutheran
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of:

James Madison Furnish was born near Savannah, in Clear Creek Twp., Ashland Co., Ohio. When he was eleven years of age he moved with his family to Spencerville, Indiana, where his father purchased 80 acres of land on the County Line between Allen Co., and DeKalb Co., in Jackson Twp. described as:

> "David Furnish from Marvin Frances W. D. July 1. 1860 80 acres $800.00 E ½ of S E ¼ Sec. 35 Twp. 33 Range 13 E Recorded October 1, 1863." [1]

Here James grew to manhood, attending the Boots School and living the remainder of his life. At 31 years of age he married Ida Alice Steward. She was a native of DeKalb Co. and lived the remainder of her life here also.

He worked with his father and in his father's declining years took over the work of the farm completely, and carefully watched over his parents their remaining years. His father had had some sort of injury and during the last eight years of his live suffered of "bodily ills and pains", but with a great deal of patience.

A little over a year before his father's death James purchased the above described 80 acres from his father on 8 August 1887 for $ 3400.00. Recorded 11 August 1887.[2] He did general farming. Politically he declared himself a Republican.

Jim died at age 75 without leaving a Will. So the farm passed on to his three children, Sudia, Ralph and David. In June of 1934 David bought out his sister and brother and the farm was again in the name of "David Furnish." In April of 1951 he sold the farm to Francis and Verda Graber, assessed valuation $3510.00. The old Furnish Homestead had been in the Furnish family for 91 successive years.[3]

In 1896 James and his two brothers, Thomas and Abraham, each built new brick homes. There is still a bronze plate in the peak of the roof with this date on it. These homes were built eight years after their father's death.

A note of interest from a letter dated 13 May 1880, Ida writes of her canning, so far, 270 quarts, 71 of which were peaches, besides four gallons of peach butter. She also said they had 5 cows and that she churned the butter and took it to Auburn every Friday where she got 20 ¢ per pound the year round.

Ida died at age 57 at their farm home near Spencerville. Just before she died she said, "Jim, my heart has stopped beating." Her funeral was on Tuesday the 18th of December at 2 p. m. from the Lutheran Church in Spencerville. Jim died 18 years later of an enlarged prostate amd uremia. They are both buried in the White City Cemetery near Spencerville, Indiana.

They were the parents of three children, Sudia Caroline, Ralph Eugene, and David Lewis Furnish.

3) Sudia Caroline Furnish
b. 5 Apr. 1887 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 24 Nov. 1904 Spencerville, Ind.
d. Nov. 1972 Hicksville, Ohio
cause: Senility
burial: Auburn, Ind.
church: Methodist Episcopal
occupation: Homemaker

m. Melvin Howard Howey
b. 6 Apr. 1883 DeKlab Co., Ind.
d. 8 Nov. 1962 Auburn, Ind.
cause: Cancer of the prostate
burial: Auburn, Ind.
church: Methodist Episcopal
occupation: School Teacher/Farmer
son of: George & Lucinda (Monroe) Howey

Sudia Caroline Furnish was born on the farm near Spencerville, she attended Boots School and lived in the vicinity all her life. She was married to Melvin Howey on Thursday, November 25th, 1904 at high noon in her parents home four miles S. E. of Spencerville, Indiana.[4] To this union one son was born, Lynn Leroy Howey, causing some unforgetable memories. In a letter that her mother wrote to her sister-in-law, Mrs. William (Ada) Furnish, dated Oct. 1, 1905 she wrote:

> "I am forty-six, and grandma again which makes me feel old. Sudie has a little boy two weeks old tomorrow morning. She got along just fine until the baby was an hour old."..(Then she went into detail explaining that Sudie had hemorrhaged dreadfully, and that the doctor had gone home and that she and Mrs. Howey were there alone with her.) "We called the doctor back and he came in a few minutes but she 'had nearly hemorrhaged to death' by the time he got there. She was so pale and weak she couldn't sit up for 10 days. The baby weighed five and a half pounds and was doing fine."

Melvin and Sudia owned a farm of 80 acres one mile east of the Boots School and a little north. Their house was the only house on road 47. The house was in Spencer Twp. and the barn was across the road in Jackson Twp., Dekalb Co.

Melvin was a teacher, and taught for 19 years. He taught at the Hopewell, Bear Creek and Spencerville schools, all in DeKalb Co. He farmed as well.

They were both active in the Methodist Episcopal church. Melvin taught Sunday School for 40 years, and Sudia for "at least 35 years"[5] in the Spencervill church. In their later years after moving to Auburn they attended the Church of the Brethren in Auburn.

Sudia died in Hicksville, Ohio, where her son Lynn and his wife Erma live. She had lived in an apartment in Auburn for many years after Melvin's death. She was in a rest home in Hicksville for a short while. Both Sudia and Melvin are buried in the Woodlawn Cemetery in Auburn, Indiana.

They were the parents of one son Lynn Leroy Howey.

4) Lynn Leroy Howey
b. 18 Sept. 1905 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 18 June 1929
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Retired Shipping Clerk

m. Erma Elizabeth Agler
b. 27 Jan. 1909
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Ora Arilis & Mildred (Johnson) Agler

Lynn Leroy Howey attended school in Spencerville. For 28 years he worked for the Dana Corp., in Auburn, Indiana as a shipping clerk in auto parts.

Erma is from Hicksville, Ohio. She worked there in a garment factory for a short while. She enjoys needlepoint, painting and crocheting. Lynn is a sports fan. They have also lived in Lima, Ohio, Union City, Indiana and Connersville, Indiana. They moved to Hicksville in 1971.

In 1962 it was discovered that Lynn had diabetes. He has been able to control it with diet. Erma spent 16 days in the hospital in early 1975 with hepatitis.

They have no children.

Sudia Caroline (Furnish) Howey

Ralph Eugene Furnish

3) Ralph Eugene Furnish
b. 8 Apr. 1884 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 25 July 1902
d. 3 Sept.1938 Spencerville, Ind.
cause: Stroke
burial: White City Cem., Spencerville
church:
occupation: Garage Mechanic

m. Bertha Keesler
b. 11 Mar. 1886
d. 20 Dec. 1949 Spencerville, Ind.
cause:
burial: White City Cem., Spencerville
church:
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Martin & Mary (Baker) Keesler

Ralph Furnish was born near Spencerville, Indiana and attended the local schools there.

Ralph operated a garage and gas station in Spencerville. He was striken with a fatal stroke at his place of business. He was 54 years of age.

Ralph and Bertha were the parents of eight children: James Martin, Delbert Roscoe, Marjorie Irene, Helen Virginia, Lewis Eugene, Pauline May, Bernice M., and Virgil William Furnish.

4) James Martin Furnish
b. 15 Aug. 1904 Spencerville, Ind.
d. 19 Apr. 1910 Spencerville, Ind.
cause: Measles
burial: White City Cemetery, Spencerville, Ind.

4) Delbert Roscoe Furnish
b. 30 Nov. 1905 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 24 Nov. 1929 Spancerville, Ind.
d. 30 Oct 1977
cause: Coronary
burial: Rosedale Cem. Auburn, Ind.
church: Lutheran
occupation: Plumber & Furnace Installation

m. Garnet Gloria Hudson
b. 29 Oct. 1911 Avilla, Indiana
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: William Perl & Edna Glee (Brown) Hudson

Delbert and Garnet are the parents of seven children: William Ralph, Bettie Sue, & Bonnie Lue (twins), Nancy Joan, Judith Ann, James Eugene and Jerry Wayne Furnish.

5) William Ralph Furnish
b. 4 May 1931 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 12 Aug. 1950 Spencerville, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Missionary
occupation: Factory Worker/Salesman

m. Evelyn Jane Beck
b. 4 Nov. 1929 Wauseon, Ohio
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Mennonite/Missionary
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Samuel & Amanda (King) Beck

They are the parents of two children, Pamela Yvonne and Terry Lynn Furnish

6) Pamela Yvonne Furnish
b. 4 Apr. 1951 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m. 20 July 1974
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Teacher/homemaker

m. Gary Keppen
b. 20 Nov. 1947
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: Teacher
son of: Kenneth and Geraldine (Harbar) Keppen

6) Terry Lynn Furnish
b. 19 July 1953 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Bettie Sue Furnish
b. 6 May 1934 Spencerville, Ind.
d. 19 Jan 1942
cause:
burial: Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn, Ind.

5) Bonnie Lue Furnish
b. 6 May 1934 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 1 Nov. 1952 Spencerville, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Robert Raeke
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

They are the parents of one son, Wayne Edward Raeke.

6) Wayne Edward Raeke
b. 6 Apr. 1957
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Nancy Joan Furnish
b. 3 Oct. 1936 Spencerville
m. 26 Dec. 1953 Spencerville
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Davey Lee Doll
b. 9 July 1932
d. 27 Aug. 1974
cause: Cancer of thigh
burial: Leo Mun. Cem. Leo, Ind.
church: Lutheran
occupation: Contractor
son of: George and Frances ( ) Doll

They are the parents of four children: Tonda Jean, Davey Lee, Jr., Ronda Kay, and Sonda Sue Doll.

6) Tonda Jean Doll
b. 12 Dec. 1956
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Davey Lee Doll, Jr.
b. 11 Nov. 1957
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Ronda Kay Doll
b. 7 Aug. 1962
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Sonda Sue Doll
b. 7 Jan. 1964
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Judith Ann Furnish
b. 11 July 1944 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 4 Nov. 1961 Spencerville, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Thomas Lee Hart
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

They are the parents of two children, Kevin & Phoen Hart

6) Kevin Hart
b.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Phoen Hart
b.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) James Eugene Furnish
b. 4 Apr. 1946 Spencerville, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Mildred Ann Prewett
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Jerry Wayne Furnish
b. 5 July 1948 Spencerville, Ind.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

4) Marjorie Irene Furnish
b. 29 Mar. 1907 Spencerville, Ind.
m.
d. 1 Aug. 1964
cause: C. V. A. Diabetes
burial: Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn
church:
occupation: Homemaker

m. Charles Timmerman
b. 5 Nov. 1906
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Factory worker
son of: John & Mary Roberta (Krise) Timmerman
Married Ethel (Henry) Likes 20 Jan. 1968

Marjorie and Charles were the parents of fourteen children: Mozelle Iris, Victor Eugene, Louis LaVon, Shirley Ann, Patricia May, Howard , Loree Elaine, Norma Jean, James DuWayne, Anita Louise, Sharon Rose, Eloise June, Keith Wayne and Darlene Joan Timmerman.

5) Mozelle Iris Timmerman
b. 15 Sept. 1927 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 14 Oct. 1950 Allen Co., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker

m. Leroy Stephen Edgar
b. 28 Mar. 1914
d.
cause:
burial:
church: St. Marks Lutheran
occupation: Factory Worker
son of: Harry V. & Carrie (Winger) Edgar

Mozelle and Leroy are the parents of three children: Raymond LeRoy, Roy Stephen, and Doris Jean Edgar.

6) Raymond LeRoy Edgar
b. 12 Mar. 1953
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Roy Stephen Edgar
b. 9 Apr. 1954
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Peggy Gaskilo
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Doris Jean Edgar
b. 25 May 1960
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Victor Eugene Timmerman
b. 9 July 1930 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 3 Jan. 1953 DeKalb Co., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Mt. Pleasant United Methodist
occupation: Farmer

m. Loretta Elizabeth Hankey
b. 13 Mar. 1934 DeKalb Co., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Mt. Pleasant United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of Henry & Gladys (David) Hankey

Victor and Loretta and their children reside on and farm 700 acres in Wilmington Township, DeKalb County. Victor is a Navy veteran having served during the Korean War.

In 1974 he was chairman of the DeKalb County Soil and Water Conservation District, and is active in several farmers' organizations, including NFO and Indiana Farmers Union. In November of 1974 he ran for State Representative for DeKalb and Steuben Co. as a Democrat Candidate.

He and Loretta are the parents of four children: Rickey Eugene, Teresa Elizabeth, Von Lee and Charles Henry Timmerman

6) Rickey Eugene Timmerman
b. 28 Jan. 1955
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Teresa Elizabeth Timmerman
b. 15 Dec. 1955
m. 2 Aug. 1976 Butler, Indiana
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. John Danial Ross
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of: James & ( ) Ross

Teresa graduated from Eastside High School in 1974 and is a student at Lutheran Hospital School of Nursing. John graduated from Eastside Hi in 1973. He is employed by Hendrickson Tandem Corp., Butler. They were married at Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church, Butler.

5) Von Lee Timmerman
b. 19 Aug. 1957
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Charles Henry Timmerman
b. 19 Sept. 1958
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Louis LaVon Timmerman
b. 12 June 1931 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 30 Sept. 1951 DeKalb Co., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Indian Village Church of God
occupation: Rebuilder of Petroleum Eq.

m. Gertrude Lavelle Chorpenning
b. 23 May 1931
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Indian Village Church of God
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Oakley & Amoriel V. (Keener) Chorpenning

Louis is Assistant Fire Chief of Jackson Township.
They are the parents of four children: Lynn Allen, Linda Ann, Lyle Alvin and Lee Allan Timmerman.

6) Lynn Allen Timmerman
b. 15 Jan. 1956
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Linda Ann Timmerman
b. 11 June 1958
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Lyle Alvin Timmerman
b. 25 Jan. 1962
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Lee Allan Timmerman
b. 25 May 1966
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Shirley Ann Timmerman
b. 4 Oct. 1935 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 7 Feb. 1955 Allen Co., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Homemaker

m. Jack Zimmerman
b. 28 May, 1937
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Air Force
son of: Charles and Irene (Erskorn) Zimmerman

They are the parents of two children: Brenda Ann and Jill Ann Zimmerman.

6) Brenda Ann Zimmerman
b. 27 May 1959
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Jill Ann Zimmerman
b. 18 May 1962
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Patricia May Timmerman
b. 28 May 1934 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 30 May 1952 Allen Co., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker/Factory

m. Robert Keith Melchi
b. 18 Oct. 1933
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Factory Worker
son of: Earl & Normanda (Smith) Melchi

They are the parents of six children: Keith DuWayne, Connie Sue, Dennis Dean, Cynthia Ann, Charlene Jean and Cheryl Lynne Melchi.

6) Keith DuWayne Melchi
b. 4 Nov. 1952
m. 19 Dec. 1971
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Vickie Jean McWhiter
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

They are the parents of two daughters: Tracy Renee & Amy Rochelle Melchi.

7) Tracy Renee Melchi
b.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) Amy Rochelle Melchi.
b.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Connie Sue Melchi
b. 23 Dec. 1953
m. 2 June 1973
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. David Wayne Yates
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Dennis Dean Melchi
b. 9 Aug. 1955
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Cynthia Ann Melchi
b. 1 Feb. 1957
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Charlene Jean Melchi
b. 28 Dec. 1958
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Cheryl Lynne Melchi
b. 29 May 1960
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Howard Timmerman
b. 11 May 1934 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 5 Dec. 1954 DeKalb Co., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: St. Peters Lutheran
occupation: Cutter Grinder

m. Barbara Ann Hurni
b. 24 Jan. 1935
d.
cause:
burial:
church: St. Peters Lutheran
occupation: Homemaker/Teachers Aid
dau. of: Willard LeRoy & Olive O (Mettert) Hurni

Howard and Barbara are the parents of three children, Pamela Ann, Richard Lee and Dianne Kay Timmerman.

6) Pamela Ann Timmerman
b. 31 Mar. 1956
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Richard Lee Timmerman
b. 11 Oct. 1963
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Dianne Kay Timmerman
b. 17 June 1960
d. 2 Apr. 1962
cause:
burial:

5) Loree Elaine Timmerman
b. 30 June 1938 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 2 Nov. 1956 DeKalb Co., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Homemaker

m. Donald Eugene Baker
b. 4 July 1938
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Navy
son of: Clayton & June (Ridgeway) Baker

Loree and Donald are the parents of three children: EuGenia Elaine, Donald Eugene, and Timothy Ellisworth Baker.

6) EuGenia Elaine Baker
b. 30 Sept. 1959
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Donald Eugene Baker, Jr.
b. 30 Dec. 1961
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Timothy Ellisworth Baker
b. 14 Aug. 1967
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Norma Jean Timmerman
b. 16 July 1939 Spencerville
m. 3 Nov. 1957 Allen Co., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Indian Village Church of God
occupation: Homemaker

m. Jack Dickson
b. 19 July 1936
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Machine Operator, Warner Gear Co.
son of: John & ( ) Dickson

To this union six children were born: Terry Eugene, Denise Jean, Kevin Lee, Todd Allen, Lisa Ann and Jack Eugene Dickson II

6) Terry Eugene Dickson
b. 3 Nov. 1958
d. 4 Nov. 1958
cause:
burial:

6) Denise Jean Dickson
b. 20 Oct. 1959
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Kevin Lee Dickson
b. 31 May 1961
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Todd Allen Dickson
b. 24 June 1962
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Lisa Ann Dickson
b. 19 Feb. 1965
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Jack Eugene Dickson II
b. 7 June 1966
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) James DuWayne Timmerman
b. 11 July 1940 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 19 Oct. 1963 Miami Co., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Bankers Life & Casulity Insurance Company

m. Georgia Ann Sizemore
b. 27 Dec. 1943 Burnsville, W. Va.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Presbyterian, Peru, Ind.
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: George & Glenna (Smith) Sizemore

They are the parents of two children, Tawnya Sue and Troy Lee Timmerman.

6) Tawnya Sue Timmerman
b. 14 July 1964
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Troy Lee Timmerman
b. 26 Apr. 1966
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Anita Louise Timmerman
b. 4 June 1937 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 12 Nov. 1955 DeKalb Co., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Pedal Maker/Homemaker

m. Wendall Fry
b. 16 Apr. 1935
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Church of Christ
occupation: Moulder in Foundry
son of: James & Bertha (Garland) Fry

They are the parents of two children, Ralph Dean, and Katherine Louise ~~Timmerman~~ Fry.

6) Ralph Dean ~~Timmerman~~ Fry
b. 22 June 1956
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Katherine Louise ~~Timmerman~~ Fry
b. 5 Apr. 1958
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
occupation:
son of:

5) Sharon Rose Timmerman
b. 15 Oct. 1942 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 28 May 1962 DeKalb Co., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker

m. Jerry Lee Snyder
b. 7 Sept. 1942
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Factory Worker
son of: Warren & Beatrice ( )
Snyder

They are the parents of two children, Brent Allen, and Susan Irene Snyder.

6) Brent Allen Snyder
b. 9 Jan. 1963
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Susan Irene Snyder
b. 25 May 1965
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Eloise June Timmerman
b. 1 June 1932 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 25 Oct. 1952 DeKalb Co., Ind.
d,
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker/Factory Worker

m. James William Fry, Jr.
b. 22 Apr. 1932 Butler, Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Factory Worker
son of: James William & ( )
Fry

They are the parents of four children: Deborah Jean, Michael James, Daniel Lee, and Lonnie Gene Fry.

6) Deborah Jean Fry
b. 17 Apr. 1954
m. 1973
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Gary Jackson
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Michael James Fry
b. 14 Jan. 1956
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Daniel Lee Fry
b. 3 Nov. 1957
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Lonnie Gene Fry
b. 8 Aug. 1960
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Keith Wayne Timmerman
b. 19 Apr. 1944 Spencerville
m. 19 Apr. 1966 DeKalb Co., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: St. Peters Lutheran
occupation: Station Manager

m. Bernice Sue Hoover
b. 27 Apr. 1947
d.
cause:
burial:
church: St.Peters Lutheran
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Carl & Bernice (Lewis) Hoover

They are the parents of five children: Christina Sue, Dawn Renee, Angel Irene, Nancy Sue and Keith Wayne Timmerman, Jr.

6) Christina Sue Timmerman
b. 22 Mar. 1967
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Dawn Renee Timmerman
b. 3 Nov. 1969
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Angel Irene Timmerman
b. 28 Sept. 1971
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Nancy Sue Timmerman
b. 11 June 1973
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Keith Wayne Timmerman, Jr.
b. 2 May 1974
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Darlene Joan Timmerman
b. 29 Aug. 1945 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 29 June 1968 DeKalb Co., Ind.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: St. Peters Luthern
occupation: Homemaker/Sales Lady

m. Ronald Lee Zimmerman
b. 17 Mar. 1947
d.
cause:
burial:
church: St. Peters Lutheran
occupation: Factory Worker
son of: Charles & Irene (Erskorn) Zimmerman

They are the parents of two children: Deana Irene and Ronald Lee Zimmerman II.

6) Deana Irene Zimmerman
b. 3 May 1966
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Ronald Lee Zimmerman, II
b. 13 June 1970
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

4) Helen Virginia Furnish
b. 29 Nov. 1909 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 29 Apr. 1930
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Harry F. Laux
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

4) Lewis Eugene Furnish
b. 4 Aug. 1911
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

4) Pauline May Furnish
b. 23 May 1916 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 11 Apr. 1926 Spencerville, Ind.
d. 14 July 1962 Spencerville, Ind.
cause: Coronary
burial: St Lite City Cem. "
church: Lutheran
occupation: Homemaker/Telephone Op. Factory Worker

m. Virgil Trammel
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of: & Pearl ( )
Trammel

Pauline suffered a sudden fatal heart attack at her home. She had worked many years for the Bell Telephone Co. at Spencerville, and worked in Butler at the Universal Tool and Stamping Company. She had lived in the Spencerville community all of her lifetime.

Pauline and Virgil were the parents of one son, Jerry Dean Trammel.

5) Jerry Dean Trammel
b. 21 Aug. 1939 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 2 July 1957 Auburn, Ind.
d. 5 Oct. 1964 Sntwerp, Ohio
cause: Auto Accident
burial: Roselawn Cem., Auburn, Ind.
church: Church of God
occupation: Dana Corp, Auburn

m. Carolyn Boger
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

Jerry was killed in an automobile accident near Antwerp, Ohio. He was a passenger in a car driven by Ronald Wilcoxson, 24, of Route 2 Auburn. The driver was attempting to pass another car on a curve in the highway. The car rammed into a semi-trailer driven by Charles Crabtree, 46, of Toledo, Ohio and the big rig then jack-knifed across the highway and struck the car the Wilcoxson vehicle was attempting to pass.

Funeral services were conducted at the Gerig funeral home in Auburn at 2 p. m. on Wednesday with the Reverend Loren Shackleton, pastor of the Auburn Church of God in Auburn, Indiana officiating. Burial was in Roselawn cemetery near Auburn.

Jerry and Carolyn were the parents of two children: Ricky Lynn and Sheryl Ann Trammel.

6) Ricky Lynn Trammel
b. 1958
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Sheryl Ann Trammel
b. 1960
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

4) Bernice M Furnish m. Howard D Dean

b. 9 Feb. 1922 Spencerville, Ind.	b.
m. 6 Dec. 1941	d.
d. 18 Feb. 1951 Auburn, Ind.	cause:
cause: Leukemia	burial:
burial:	church:
church:	occupation: Gear Cutter, Warner Gear
occupation: Telephone Operator	son of:

They were the parents of one son, Howard N. Dean.

5) Howard N Dean m.

b. 5 May 1946	b.
m.	d.
d.	cause:
cause:	burial:
burial:	church:
church:	occupation:
occupation:	dau. of:

4) Virgil William Furnish
b. 29 Apr. 1925
m. Dec. 1948
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m. Dorothy King
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

3) David Lewis Furnish
b. 27 Oct. 1890 Spencerville, Ind.
m. 12 May 1913 Auburn, Ind.
d. 4 Oct. 1954 Detroit, Mich.
cause: Pleurisy
burial: Riverside Cem., St. Joe, Ind.
church: Lutheran
occupation: Farmer/Factory worker

m. Vera Maude Andress
b. 10 Aug. 1892
d. 11 Aug. 1975 New London, Conn.
cause: Stroke
burial: Riverside Cem. St. Joe, Ind.
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Marshall Hatsel & Mary Jane (Monroe) Andress

David Furnish was born in Spencerville, Indiana. He attended the Hopewell School there. At age twenty he had a moving religious experience as in a letter dated Feb. 16, 1910 that Adella Lochner wrote to Ade Furnish she said:

> "There was a great revival at Spencerville this winter. 103 conversions, David and Paul Furnish were among the number."
>
> Adella

He helped his father on the farm until he was twenty-one and then went to Detroit, Michigan where he got a job at the Ford Motor Car Co. There he worked on the first Assembly Line that Ford Motor Car put into operation. And for many years was a 'Star Man' which meant that he had clearance to go anywhere in the Plant. He was Assistant Service Manager of the "then" only Lincoln Service in Detroit for several years. When the second Lincoln Service was opened in Highland Park, Michigan, he was made Service Manager of it. David also served as Service Represenative of the Company and traveled different territories of Michigan and Ohio, being the "between man" of the Company and Lincoln and Ford Dealers of his given territories.

In 1913 he and Vera Andres were married. They lived in Detroit and Ferndale, Michigan, all of their married life together. David died in the Out-patient Clinic of the Henry Ford Hospital where he had gone for a check-up.

At the time of Vera's death she had been making her home with her daughter, Isobel, in Connecticut. She fell because of a stroke. She was taken to the hospital where she was a patient for three days. She was then transferred to a nursing home where she was a patient for two months.

Both David and Vera were brought back to St. Joe after their deaths for burial.

In 1934 David purchased the farm that had belonged to his grandfather,David Furnish, and his father James. He bought out his sister Sudia Howey, and his bro-

ther , Ralph Furnish. At that time he had hoped to retire there. But in 1951, three years before his death, he sold it to Francis and Verda Graber. The David Furnish Farm had been owned by the Furnish family for 91 successive years.

David was a member of the Highland Park Masonic Lodge until his death. Vera belonged to the Park Corinthian Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star, also in Highkand Park. She was a member of Highland Park Methodist Church.

David and Vera were the parents of two daughters, Isobel Jane and Loraine Adele Furnish. Loraine, however, only lived three days. She was born 22 August 1930 in Highland Park, Michigan.

4) Isobel Jane Furnish
b. 20 Apr. 1918 Highland Park, Mi.
m. 10 Oct. 1942 Bowling Green, O.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker

m. Harry Davison Gault, Jr.
b. 8 Feb. 1918 Highland Park, Mi.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Technical Writer
son of: Harry Davison & Alberta L. (Schmidt) Gault, Sr.

Isobel Furnish was born in Highland Park, Michigan. She attended Highland Park Elementary School, then her parents moved to Ferndale, where she attended Roosevelt Elementary School and then graduated from Lincoln High School in 1936. She attended Albion College graduating from there in 1939. She did graduate work at Wayne University in Detroit, before being married, and has taken extension courses through Willimantic State University and the University of Connecticut recently.

Harry also graduated from Lincoln High School, but in 1939. After graduation he entered the Service. He is a Technical Writer, Sings Barbershop and has his own Sail Boat. They live at Groton, Connecticut and he loves to sail in Long Island Sound.

Isobell and Harry are members of Christ United Methodist Church in Groton, where they both take an active part. This year Isobel is Co-Chairman of the Worship Committee, Harry is a Trustee.

Isobel is also a Registered Breeder of Persian Cats.

They are the parents of two children, David Lewis and Sarah Anne Gault.

5) David Lewis Gault
b. 9 Nov. 1946 New London, Conn
m. 2 Aug. 1969 Agana, Guam
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Commercial Artist

m. Catherine Reenaie Sablan
b. 5 Apr. 1948 Agana, Guam
d.
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: Advertising Assistant
dau. of: Vicente Leon Guerrero & Antonia (Cruz) Sablan

David Gault was born in Lawrence Hospital, New London, Conn.
They are the parents of three children:

6)
b.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
of:

6)
b.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
of:

6)
b.
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
of:

5) Sarah Anne Gault m. Gourd
b. 17 May 1950 New London, Conn b.
m. d.
d. cause:
cause: burial:
burial: church:
church: occupation:
occupation: son of:

Sarah Gault was born in Memorial Hospital, New London, Conn.

Ida (Furnish) Metcalf, Martha (Furnish) Grosh
James and Abraham Furnish

Isaac & Martha Furnish Grosh & sons David & John

Isaac & Martha Furnish Grosh

MARTHA L. FURNISH

2) Martha "(Matt)" L. Grosh
b: 7 Feb. 1852 Ashland Co., Ohio
m: 2 Nov. 1871
d: 16 May 1927 New Haven, Ind.
cause: Coronary
burial: Leo Cem., Leo, Indiana
church: Lutheran/Methodist Episcopal
occupation: Homemaker

m: Isaac Grosh
b: 17 Jan. 1843 Richland Co., Ohio
d: 4 Jan. 1920 Cedarville, Indiana
cause: Stroke
burial: Leo Cem., Leo, Indiana
church: Methodist Episcopal
occupation: Farmer
son of: John & Rebecca (Miller) Grosh

Martha was born in Clear Creek Twp., Ashland Co., near Savannah Ohio and came to Indiana with her family when she was eight years old. They left Ohio in 1860, and that same year purchased eighty acres in Jackson Twp., DeKalb Co., Indiana near Spencerville. Martha and Isaac lived in Ransom Center, Hillsdale, Michigan, 10 Dec. 1882 however, we do not know how long they lived there. (Address and date on letter)

"Isaac the son of John and Rebecca Grosh was born in Richland Co., Ohio January 17 1843. While he was yet three years old his parents moved to Allen Co., Indiana where he grew to manhood and spent all of the remainder of his life with the exception ot two years in Michigan.

November the 2nd 1871 he and Martha Furnish were united in Holy Wedlock; this union was honored with three children, two boys and a girl and the strictest kind of loving fidelity; their vows really meant "until death doth us part."

About the year 1880 he was converted to Christ and shortly after he united with the Methodist Episcopal Church and has remained a member thereof until the Master called him to be with Him on January 4th 1920 at the ripe and honored old age of 75 years 11 months and 17 days. Surely as a ripened shock of corn he was gathered in to be with his Fathers, a man loved and respected by a exceedingly large host of friends.

He leaves his aged and devoted wife, one son, David of Allen Co., four grandchildren, one brother of Noblesville, Indiana and numerous other relatives and friends to mourn this loss." [1]

"Straight through my heart this fact to-day
By Truth's own hand is driven:
God never takes one thing away
But something else is given.

I did not know in earlier years
This law of love and kindness
I only mourned through bitter tears
My loss in sorrow's blindness.

But ever following each retreat
O'er some departed treasure
My sad repining heart was met
With unexpected pleasure.

I thought it only happened so
  But time this truth has taught me
No least thing from my life can go
  But something else is brought me.

It is the Law, complete sublime
  And now with faith unshaken
In patience I but bide my time
  When my joy is taken.

No matter if the crushing blow
  May for the moment down me
Still back of it waits love I know
  With some new gift to crown me.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox [2]

Martha and Isaac were the parents of three children: David Roy, John Edmund and Ida Myrtle Grosh.

3) David Roy Grosh
b. 20 Oct. 1872 Allen Co., Ind.
m. 31 Dec. 1899
d. 19 Jan. 1958
cause: Kidney/Prostate complications
burial: Leo Cemetery, Leo, Ind.
church: Mennonite/Missionary
occupation: Farmer

m. Laura Sauder
b. 26 Sept. 1878 Allen Co., Ind.
d. 18 Mar. 1969 Grabill, Ind.
cause: Arthritis/Age 91
burial: Leo Cemetery, Leo, Ind.
church: Mennonite/Missionary
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Christian & Barbara (Witmer) Sauder

David was a resident of Allen Co., Indiana most of his life. He spent two years with his parents at Ransom Center, Hillsdale Co., Michigan (1882), and a year in DeKalb Co., Indiana following his marriage. He and Laura Sauder were married in 1899 by the Reverend E. W. Erick, pastor of the Lutheran Church in Spencerville. In 1907 they purchased a farm in Perry Twp. and were engaged in farming until he retired in 1948. At this time they sold the farm and moved to Grabill, where they purchased a home in town. David was in failing health the last fifteen years of his life.

David never drove a car, he continued using a horse and buggy long after his contemporaries had changed over to cars. He drove for a few years after leaving the farm.

They were a devout couple, and took an active part in the life of the church. Each year they read their Bible through. Laura took an active part in the Women's Missionary Society as well, and had a vital interest in the work of Missions. Her hobby was piecing and making quilts. She did beautiful work and quilted with very fine stitches. She taught many young women her skills including her daughter Ruth. Laura also liked to crochet and braid rugs.

She used many spools of thread in her quilt making and tossed the spools in a box. David kept salvaging them and to built her a "spool table". The ends of the table underneath (the bracings) are all done with spools as well as the legs. They have used it in their home ever since it was finished. Many people have asked to buy it but "it is not for sale."

Both Laura and David died in their home in Grabill. David died on Sunday, 19

January 1958. His funeral was conducted at 2 P. M. on Wednesday at the Grabill Missionary Church. The Reverend Vernon Petersen and the Reverend Clifford Grabill officiated at the service.

Laura died 18 March 1969. Her funeral was held on Thursday at 2 P. M. in the Grabill Missionary Church also. The Reverend Donald Gerig and the Reverend Gordon Beck officiated. The Baidinger and Walter Funeral Home in Spencerville were in charge.

David and Laura were the parents of three children: Marion Eugene, Arthur Isaac and Agnes Ruth Grosh.

Ruth, Laura, David and Marion Grosh

David & Laura Grosh

50th Wedding Anniversary pictures

4) Marion Eugene Grosh
b: 2 Nov. 1900 Allen Co., Indiana
m: Never married
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Mennonite/Missionary
occupation: Minister/factory worker

Marion was born in Cedar Creek Twp., Allen Co., Indiana. He graduated from Fort Wayne Bible College in 1925, and pastored United Missionary churches in Pennsylvania and Ohio, and pastored a Community church in Indiana. He also taught children in Child Evangelism classes. In later years in several small factories in Ohio and Indiana, and cared for his mother the rest of her life.

He has always taken an active part in the work of the church, is a student of the Bible, and in November of 1974 he was able to see a life long dream come to pass when he was able to attend the "Worldwide Convocation on Evangelism" in Jerusalem, sponsored by The World Methodist Council Committee on Evangelism. Besides Jerusalem they visited other important sites in the life and ministry of Jesus, visiting Jericho, the Dead Sea, Qumran, Bethlehem, Samaria, Megiddo, Caesarea, Nazareth, the Sea of Galilee and Capernaum. And then he took the 7-day extension to visit Athens and Rome.

Marion is an excellent photographer, and took over 400 pictures, which he is now busy showing to many congregations, and shut-in's, reliving his trip each time he shows them. He is the last survivor of his immediate family.

4) Arthur Isaac Grosh
b: 19 June 1904
d: 17 Nov. 1904
cause: Bronchitis
burial: Leo Cem., Leo, Indiana

"We had a little treasure once,
He was our joy and pride,
We loved him, ah! perhaps too well,
For soon he slept and died.
All is dark within our dwelling,
Lonely are our hearts today,
For the one we loved so dearly
Has forever passed away. 3

4) Agnes Ruth Grosh
b: 30 Mar. 1907 Allen Co., Indiana
m: Never married
d: 8 Sept. 1972 Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, Indiana
cause: Osteosarcoma
burial: Leo Cemetery, Leo, Indiana
church: Missionary
occupation: Seamstress

A. Ruth Grosh was born in Cedar Creek Twp., Allen Co., Indiana. She had worked as a seamstress at the Fort Wayne Lutheran Hospital for 35 years, retiring 1 April 1972.

Shortly after retiring she became increasingly tired, and since she did so much sewing, she decided to have her eyes checked. Her eye doctor noticed some hemorrhaging her eyes and sent her to her medical doctor. He promptly hospitalized her for tests, where it was determined that she had cancer of the bone. She suffered greatly but never lost faith in the God she had served so long and so well.

Ruth, like her mother loved to sew and piece and quilt quilts, which she did for many of her friends. She had looked forward to her retirement, so she could work at her hobby. Many people had quilt tops ready and waiting for her to quilt.

She was active in the work of the church, and in it's Missionary Society, having a real love for the work of the Missionary.

Her funeral was held on Monday, 11 September 1972 at 2:00 P. M. from the Grabill Missionary Church. The Reverend Donald Gerig, and the Reverend Warren Hiebert officiated. Burial was in the family plot in Leo.

3) John Edmund Grosh
b: 30 Aug. 1874 Allen Co., Ind.
m: 6 Oct. 1895
d: 19 Mar. 1915 Allen Co., Ind.
cause: Tuberculosis
burial: Leo Cem., Leo, Indiana
church: Methodist
occupation: Carpenter for N.Y.C. Railroad

m: Verbena Fishburn
b: 27 Oct. 1874 Jefferson, Ohio
d: 27 Feb. 1964 Kendallville, Ind.
cause: Heart Trouble
burial: Leo Cem., Leo, Indiana
church: Methodist
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of Daniel & Hettie (Wyrick) Fishburn

John was born near Leo, Indiana, and died on the Blakely farm near Hurshtown, Indiana. He was a carpenter and worked with a crew building depots, freight houses, and round houses for the New York Central Railroad, between Chicago, Illionis and Toledo, Ohio. They lived in Kendallville at the time.

Verbena, besides caring for her family and home was active in the "Ladies Aid," which was the "Methodist Women's Society" of her day. After the death of her husband she went to work in a greenhouse.

They were the parents of three children: Martha Lavern, Gladys Ilene, and Dorothy Grosh. Verbena died at the home of her daughter Gladys Hinkley. Funeral arrangements were made by the L. E. Berhalter & Son Funeral Home.

4) Martha Lavern Grosh
b: 1 Sept. 1896 Newville, Ind.
m: 25 Feb. 1919
d:
cause:
burial:
church: New Haven United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker

m. Alpha Earl Forsyth
b: 14 June 1893 Vermillia, Illionis
d:
cause:
burial:
church: New Haven United Methodist
occupation: Car Inspector Penn. R. R.
son of: Charles S. & Sarah (Dick) Forsyth

Lavern remembers as a child they always went to her grandparents, Martha and Isaac Grosh, for Christmas; and how cold the long drive was from Kendallville and Huntertown; and that her grandfather's horse was so slow, that she and her father often got out of the buggy and ran a ways to get warm; - those were "the good ole days."

Besides caring for a rather large family and home, Lavern has always been active in the work of the church, and helped where she was needed most. In fact much of their family activity has centered around the church. They attend the New Haven United Methodist Church, which now has a beautiful new large structure. It is a very lively ambitious congregation. Some of the many things they do are to twic a year bring in some of the elderly people, that are able to come, from the Allen County Nursing Home to attend the 10:40 service, treat them to a potluck dinner and entertainment. In 1974 they brought ninety people to this service. The women also work hard on their annual bazaar in December, where they clear between $1500 and $2000 dollars. They have an active Methodist's Men Club. Their 1974 fall projects included two trips to Michigan, once to purchase 1200 bushels of apples, and the other to purchase 900 Christmas trees. The men sold them to raise money for other worthwhile projects. There is always a project going on, for the church, or the community to bring help to the needy.

All of the Forsyth children have held offices in the church, some have taught in the Sunday School, and they were all married in the home church. They all attended the New Haven schools and graduated from high school there.

A. Earl was a traveling "car inspector" for the Pennsylvania Railroad. He worked between Chicago and Fort Wayne, repairing box cars and hot boxes, emergency work in places where there were no shops to work in. He is a member of the I. O. O. F. Lodge, and has held offices in it. He likes to do gardening, and go fishing. Both he and Lavern are avid readers. In the early 1970's Lavern had cataracts removed from both eyes, her sight is good again, for which she is most grateful.

They are the parents of six children: June Irene, Charles Edmund, Evelyn Edith, Phyllis Joan, Franklin Earl, and Robert Wayne Forsyth.

5) June Irene Forsyth
b: 11 June 1920 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m: 20)ct. 1946 New Haven, Ind.
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker

m. Earl Richard Doty
b: 23 Nov. 1914
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Receiving Clerk
son of: Joseph & Blanch (Downs) Doty

June graduated from New Haven High School and attended International Business College in Fort Wayne. She takes an active part in her church, where she has taught Sunday School and held offices in the W. S. C. S.

Earl is a Receiving Clerk for International Harvester where he has worked for thirty-seven years. He served in the Army during World War II serving in the South Pacific.

They are the parents of two children: James Richard and Karla Darlene Doty.

6) James Richard Doty
b: 12 Apr. 1949 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m: 3 Sept. 1971
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: C. P. A.

m. Marie Plukas
b: 2 June 1949
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Roman Catholic
occupation: C. P. A.
dau. of Joseph & Helen (Duita) Plukas

James graduated from New Haven High School, then became a Certified Public Accountant. He and his wife Marie are both C. P. A.'s and work for the PEAT - MACURICK - MITCHELL CO. in Chicago, Illionis. They have no children.

6) Karla Darlene Doty
b: 6 Mar. 1953 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m:
d:
Cause:
Burial:
Church:
Occupation: Nurse

m:
b:
d:
Cause:
Burial:
Church:
Occupation:
Son of:

Karla received her nurses training at Fort Wayne Lutheran Hospital. She does general duty nursing, and has one daughter Melissa Darlene.

7) Melissa Darlene
b:
m:
d:
Cause:
Burial:
Church:
Occupation:

m:
b:
d:
Cause:
Burial:
Church:
Occupation:
Son of:

5) Charles Edmund Forsyth
b: 9 June 1923 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m: 10 Aug. 1947 New Haven, Ind.
d: 2 Feb. 1970 New Haven, Ind.
Cause: Car/Train Accident
Burial: IOOF Cem. New Haven, Ind.
Church: New Haven Methodist
Occupation: Mechanical Engineer

m: Ilene Laver
b: 17 Mar.
d:
Cause:
Burial:
Church: NewHaven Methodist
Occupation: Homemaker
Dau. of: Lester & Octa (Stater) Arnold

Charles graduated from New Haven High School. He served in the U. S. Marine Corps in the South Pacific from 1943 to 1946, when he came home from Okinawa, having served on Midway, the Philippines, Hawaii and Okinawa.

In 1947 he was united in marriage to the former Ilene Laver in the New Haven United Methodist Church. He was a life long resident of New Haven, residing at 8207 Tillman Road. They were the parents of four children, Gloria Jane Laver, Joan Carol, Joyce Ann, and Tom Charles Forsyth.

Charles was dead at the scene of an auto accident at 9:30 P. M. Monday February 2, 1970, at the railroad crossing south of New Haven. His funeral was at 2 P. M. Thursday in the New Haven Methodist Church, of which he was a member. The Reverend Thomas Weigand officiated. Burial was in the I. O. O. F. Cemetery, New Haven.

He was also a member of the American Legion Post 330, New Haven, and Local 137 of the American Federation of Technical Engineers.

6) Gloria Jane Layer Forsyth
b: 29 Oct. 1942 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m: 14 Jan. 1961
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist
occupation: Homemaker

m: James Allen Coe
b: 14 Dec. 1940
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Accountant
son of: Earl & ( ) Coe

James works for National Mill, Ft. Wayne, Indiana. They are the parents of three children: Kenneth Allen, Deborah Jane and Constance Linn Coe.

7) Kenneth Allen Coe
b: 7 Sept. 1961
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m:
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

7) Deborah Jane Coe
b: 7 Oct. 1962
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m:
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

7) Constance Linn Coe
b: 11 Apr. 1969
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m:
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Joan Carol Forsyth
b: 19 Oct. 1948
m: 16 Mar. 1968
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist
occupation: Secretary

m: Stephen Rauner
b: 28 July 1949
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Draftsman
son of: Robert & Phyllis (Rauner

They are the parents of one daughter, Angila Yevonne Rauner

7) Angila Yevonne Rauner
b: 25 Sept. 1968
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m:
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Joyce Ann Forsyth
b: 9 July 1950 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m: 22 Feb. 1969
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: homemaker

m: Robert W. Walda
b: 26 June 1948
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Goodrich Co.
son of:

Robert served in the Navy. They are the parents of one daughter, Jennifer Ann Walda.

7) Jennifer Ann Walda
b: 31 Jan. 1969 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m:
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Tom Charles Forsyth
b: 29 Aug. 1955
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist
occupation: Mechanic

m:
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Evelyn Edith Forsyth
b: 16 Nov. 1926 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m: 13 June 1948 New Haven, Ind.
d:
cause:
burial:

m: Glenn E. Schimmoller
b: 25 Dec.
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist

church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker

occupation: Eckrich Packing Co.
son of: Joseph & Anna (Beinneke) Schimmoller

Glenn works for the Eckrich Packing Plant in Fort Wayne, Indiana. He and Evelyn are the parents of seven children: Roger Dean, Marilyn Sue, Daryl Wayne, Dinnie Edwin, Warren Lee, Wendy Lu, and Elaine Joan Schimmoller.

6) Roger Dean Schimmoller
b: 24 Mar. 1949 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m: 20 Nov. 1971
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Factory Worker

m. Vickie Wallace
b: 2 Feb. 1953
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: James & Lynn (Wallace

Roger works for the Martin Sprokett Co. in Montpelier, Ohio.

6) Marilyn Sue Schimmoller
b: 10 Dec. 1950 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m: 20 Feb. 1971
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker

m. Clair Richard Shaffer
b: 8 Feb. 1949
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Factory Worker
son of: Clair A. & Elizabeth (DeWitt) Shaffer

Clair works for Hayes - Albion, West Unity, Ohio. He served in the Army in Germany. They are the parents of one daughter, Kimberly Sue Shaffer.

7) Kimberly Sue Shaffer
b: 31 Dec. 1971 Mt.Pelier, Ohio
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m:
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Daryl Wayne Schimmoller
b: 3 Oct. 1953
m:
d:
cause:
burial:

m:
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:

church:
occupation:

occupation:
dau. of:

6) Dinnie Edwin Schimmoller
b: 5 Dec. 1954
d: 9 June 1963
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist

6) Warren Lee Schimmoller
b: 2 Mar. 1959
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m:
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Wendy Lu Schimmoller
b: 16 Jan. 1961
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m:
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

6) Elaine Joan Schimmoller
b: 21 Dec. 1962
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m:
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Phyllis Joan Forsyth
b: 15 July 1928 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m: 16 Oct. 1947 New Haven, Ind.
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker

m: Robert D. Husband
b: 11 Aug. 1925
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Farmer
son of: George & Mary (Houser) Husband

Phyllis and Robert have a 150 acre farm near Roanoke, Indiana where they do mostly grain farming. Phyllis has taught Sunday School and has held offices in the W. S. C. S. of the Methodist church. They were married in the New Haven Methodist church. They have 2 daughters, Donna Joan and Barbara Lou, both talented musicians.

6) Donna Joan Husband
b: 21 Nov. 1951 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Secretary

m:
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Donna graduated from Huntington High School. She is a secretary for the Utah Manufacturing Co., Huntington, Indiana. She has been the organist for the United Methodist Church in Roanoke, Indiana.

6) Barbara Lou Husband
b: 17 Jan. 1955
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Secretary

m:
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Barbara graduated from Huntington High School. She is a secretary for Magnavox in Fort Wayne, Indiana. She has been the pianist for the United Methodist church in Roanoke, Indiana.

5) Franklin Earl Forsyth
b: 1 Apr. 1930 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m: 20 Sept. 1952 New Haven, Ind.
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Cemetery Supt.

m: Virginia Arnold
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: John & Sadie (Demnius) Arnold

Franklin was a Corporal in the Marine Corps, and served in the Phillipines, Japan and Korea. He taught Sunday School in the New Haven United Methodist Church. He is a member of the I. O. O. F. Lodge and has held offices in the Lodge. He works as superintendent of the I. O. O. F. Cemetery in New Haven, Indiana. They are the parents of five children: Rebecca Sue, Paul Earl, Mark Steven, Linda Coleen and David Lynn Forsyth.

6) Rebecca Sue Forsyth
b: 8 Oct. 1953
m: 26 May 1973
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker

m. Kent W. Notestine
b: 5 Feb. 1951
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Police Officer
son of: Jack & Betty (
Notestine

6) Paul Earl Forsyth
b: 23 Jan 1956 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation:

m.
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Mark Steven Forsyth
b: 22 Sept. 1957
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation:

m.
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Linda Coleen Forsyth should be listed here, I have placed her on page 357.

6) David Lynn Forsyth
b: 26 Mar. 1961
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation:

m.
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

5) Robert Wayne Forsyth
b: 11 June 1932 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
m: 3 May 1953 Kendallville, Ind.
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Welder

m. Patricia Kilgor
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Teacher
dau. of: Chas. & Virginia (Menzie)
Kilgor

Robert was a Private in the Marine Corps, however he did not leave the States. He and Patricia were married in the Kendallville Evangelical United Brethren Church. Patricia attended Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo, Michigan and teaches school in Constantine, Michigan. Robert works for Nickell's Machine Shop in Constantine.

4) Gladys Irene Grosh
b: 22 Nov. 1900 Leo, Ind.
m: 11 July 1925
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist
occupation: Secretary

m. John William Hinkley
b: 14 May 1891
d: 13 Oct. 1958
cause:
burial:
church: Methodist
occupation: Factory Foreman
son of: Frank & Orilla (Faux) Hinkley

After Gladys finished a business course in high school she worked for the Fort Wayne & Northwestern Interurban Company for eight years. She was Secretary to the President and General Manager. After the death of her husband in 1958 she went to work for the Flint & Walling Mfg. Company, worked ten years and then retired in 1968 Since then she has worked part time as Assistant Bookkeeper at the Fischer Colonial Pharmacy. She was also Secretary-Treasurer of the First Methodist Church of Kendallville for over 25 years. She is a member of the American Legion Auxiliary and Past Presidents' Parley. Her hobbies are reading, knitting and crocheting.

Her husband John Hinkley served in the Army in World War I. He was in Company B 37th Infantry, Polar Bear Division, Siberia, Russia. He was a Charter Member of the American Legion Post No. 86, and a member of the First Methodist Church of Kendallville. He was a foreman for McCray Refrigerator Company, in Kendallville, Indiana, and had worked there more than fifty years. He was a cabinet maker and an avid reader of history. They lived in the same house for 50 years. On January 31, 1945, it burned just after we had finished remodeling. The entire upstairs was destroyed. After being rebuilt, John and Gladys did all the finishing on the inside.

To this union one son was born: William James Hinkley.

5) William James Hinkley
b: 7 Aug. 1926
m: 23 Oct. 1954
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Store Manager

m. Olive Spannagel
b: 6 Nov. 1933
d:
cause:
burial:
church: Lutheran
occupation: Homemaker/Dental Asst.
dau. of: Theo & Velva ( ) Spannagel

William graduated from Kendallville High School, and was attending Purdue University when he was called to serve in the Army in World War II. He served in the Phillipines and in the Korean Occupation. After coming home from the service he worked in the office of the McCray Refrigerator Company. He now is Manager of the Kirkwoods Mens & Boys Store in Kendallville, Indiana.

They are the parents of two children: John Eugene and Shelly Renae Hinkley.

6) John Eugene Hinkley
b. 29 June 1959
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Shelly Renae
b. 1 June 1961
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Note: Linda Coleen Forsyth belongs on page 355 I have placed her here.

6) Linda Coleen Forsyth
b. 12 Dec. 1958
m.
d.
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation:

m.
b.
d.
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

4) Dorothy Carol Grosh
b. 25 Dec. 1908
d. 1 Jan. 1909
cause: unknown (lived only one week)
burial: Leo Cemetery, Leo, Indiana

3) Ida Myrtle Grosh
b. 2 Nov. 1877 Allen Co., Ind.
d. 24 Aug. 1904 Leo, Ind.
cause: Typhoid Fever
burial: Leo Cemetery, Leo, Ind.
church: Methodist Episcopal
occupation: helped at home

Ida, according to a newspaper clipping, joined the Methodist Episcopal church in her youth and lived a consistent Christian life until her death. At that time she was secretary of the Sunday School. She was a charter member of the newly organized "Ladies' Aid Society" of the church of her choice, showing her willingness to work in any department of the church.

"She had pledged herself to the love and duties of the home-life, but God saw fit to take her from her suitor, leaving him to bear his deep loss in sorrow. Now she is taken away on the wings of death and thus breaks another devoted friendship. Leaving Fordise Kensinger among the mourning friends."

Her funeral was conducted by the Reverend M. Pittenger, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, Leo, Indiana.

Grosh Footnotes:
1. Copied from his obituary in a newspaper clipping, name of paper not known.
2. Poem was included with obituary.
3. Poem copied from Remembrance card of Arthur I. Grosh.

Ida Caroline (Furnish) Metcalf
& daughter
Alma Floy Metcalf

Alma Floy Metcalf

IDA CAROLINE FURNISH

2) Ida Caroline Furnish
b: 16 Jan. 1857 Ashland Co., O.
m: 20 Feb. 1877 Spencerville, Ind.
d: 17 Dec. 1918 Auburn, Ind.
cause: Kidney trouble
burial: Woodlawn Cem., Auburn, Ins.
church: Auburn Methodist
occupation: Homemaker

m. Edward D. Metcalf
b: 10 Oct. 1851
d: May 1920 Auburn, Ind.
cause:
burial: Woodlawn Cem., Auburn, Ind.
church:
occupation: Windmill Erector/Well Driller/Night Watchman
son of: Daniel & Rebecca ( ) Metcalf.

Ida Caroline Furnish was born in Clear Creek Twp., Ashland Co., near Savannah, Ohio, where her parents settled in 1844, and purchased twenty-five acres of land. She moved with her family in 1860 to Jackson Twp., DeKalb Co., near Spencerville, Ind.

Ida and Edward D. Metcalf were married 20 Feb. 1877 in her parents home near Spencerville. The Reverend E. W. Erick officiating.

They lived in DeKalb Co. all of their married life, in the Spencerville, Auburn areas. The Metcalf's were from Gerameville, Ashland Co., Ohio.

> "Following a severe illness of kidney trouble of less than 48 hours duration, Ida Metcalf died at her home on Walnut St. in Auburn. Although in poor health for several months, she was able to attend to her household work up until Sunday, when she took seriously ill, death resulting at 6:15 Tuesday A. M. at age 61 years." [1]

Her funeral was conducted Thursday afternoon by the Reverend F. A. Hall, pastor of the Auburn Methodist Church.

They were the parents of three children: Mary Myrtle, David Frank, and Alma Floy Metcalf.

3) Mary Myrtle Metcalf
b: 1 Dec. 1877 DeKalb Co., Ind.
m: 2 Oct. 1894
d: 7 June 1919 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
cause: Fatal Stroke
burial: Woodlawn Cem., Auburn, Ind.
church: Lutheran/Presbyterian
occupation: Homemaker

m. Jacob Roy VanAuken
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

Myrtle was born in Jackson Twp., DeKalb Co., Indiana. Her parents moved to Auburn, Indiana, when she was eight years old. There she lived the rest of her life with the exception of the last two years, which she lived in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

When she was first married she became a member of the Auburn Lutheran church, but after moving to Fort Wayne she became a member of the Presbyterian church there.

Her death came very unexpectedly when she suffered a fatal stroke in Fort Wayne on Monday evening. She possessed a genial, lovable disposition, and was a devoted mother to her family and home.

Myrtle and Roy were the parents of three children, only one lived to maturity; Helen L. VanAuken. A son Jay lived eleven months, and another son was stillborn.

4) Helen L. VanAuken
b: 24 Feb. 1895
m:
d: 13 May 1934
cause: Heart/Stroke
burial: Woodlawn Cem., Auburn, Ind.
church:
occupation: Homemaker

m. Earl Schrader
b: 16 Sept. 1890
d: 21 Oct. 1934 Angola, Ind.
cause: Auto accident
burial: Woodlawn Cem., Auburn, Ind.
church:
occupation: Auburn Automobile Co.
son of: William & Schrader ( )

Helen died of heart trouble and finally a stroke just five months before her husband Earl was severly injured and died when the car he was driving went off State Road 20 - 4 ½ miles west of Angola, at 9 P. M. Saturday and ran into a tree.

> "He was not found until 4 A. M. Sunday and was very weak from loss of blood. He was removed to a hospital in Angola, but died a few minutes later of internal injuries. He was riding alone in his sedan on his way from Auburn to his father-in-law's cottage at Bass Lake, Steuben Co., to deliver some groceries. The driving rain and slippery pavement, combined to cause him to lose control of his car, officers believe.
>
> He was employed by the Auburn Automobile Co., at Connersville, and returned to the city for week-ends. His wife, formerly Helen VanAuken of this city, died from heart trouble here 5 months ago. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn." [2]

They had no children.

4) Jay Metcalf
b: 5 Mar. 1901
d: Feb. 1902
cause:
burial:

3) David Frank Metcalf
b: 21 Jan. 1880 Hopewell Community
m: 2 Aug. 1910 Auburn, Ind.
d: 3 Feb. 1963 Auburn, Ind.
cause: Coronary
burial: Woodlawn Cem., Auburn, Ind.
church:
occupation: Sawmill/Factory

m. Laura Lavine Gilmore
b: 1880
d: 1947
cause: Cancer
burial: Woodlawn Cem., Auburn, Ind.
church:
occupation:
dau. of: Robert & Gilmore ( )

D. Frank Metcalf was born in the Hopewell Community, DeKalb Co., Indiana. He and Laura Gilmore were married by A. J. Goodman, M. G. Acting as witnesses were: Belle VanDalah, and Lou Suthards.

Frank worked at the Auburn Sawmill, the Ford Motor Co., in Detroit, Michigan, the Imp. Auto Co., Auburn, also the Warner Auto Division in Auburn. He also worked for the State Highway Dept. He liked to hunt and fish. He passed away with a coronary in the Dr. J. A. Sanders Hospital in Auburn. They were the parents of one son Deloss Lamar Metcalf.

4) DeLoss Lamar Metcalf
b: 26 Sept. 1913 Auburn, Ind.
m: 24 June 1939
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Barber

m. Rachael Maxine Farrington
b: 13 Jan. 1918 Stuben Co., Ind.
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker
dau. of: Hollis J. & Laura Ganill (Miser) Farrington

Deloss graduated from Auburn High School and Indianapolis Barber School. He has owned and operated the Auburn Hotel Barber Shop since 1968. He likes to golf and go fishing.

Maxine was born in Stuben Co., Indiana. She has lived in Auburn all her married life. She likes to bowl, but enjoys caring for her family and doing for others.

They are the parents of two daughters: Connie Sue and Janet Kay Metcalf.

5) Connie Sue Metcalf
b: 12 June 1943
m: 12 June 1965 Auburn, Ind.
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker

m. Robert Allen Detrick
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation: Electronic Tech.
son of:

Connie graduated from Auburn High School in 1961. She worked for Kraft Candies for eight years. Robert graduated from Auburn also, in 1962, and from Purdue University in January of 1966 with an associate B. S. degree. He is an Electronic Technition for Magnavox. They were married in the Auburn Methodist Church, and are the parents of one daughter, Nichole Marie Detrick. They have a Cottege at Lake Pleasent and enjoy family boating, and golf. They reside in Auburn, Ind.

6) Nichole Marie Detrick
b: 9 Nov. 1969
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

5) Janet Kay Metcalf
b: 13 Jan. 1945
m: 26 Nov. 1965
d:
cause:
burial:
church: United Methodist
occupation: Homemaker/Beautician

m. Mahlon Edwin Rieke II
b: 1944
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of: Mahlan Edwin & Margaret (Suepp) Rieke

Janet Kay Metcalf graduated from Auburn High School, and works as a beautician in Jan's Beauty Salon in Auburn, part time. Mahlon is employed at Oren & Van Anam in Fort Wayne, Indiana. He attended Angola Tri State.

They were married in the Auburn Methodist Church by the Reverend Wallace W. Deyo. They are the parents of 2 children: Todd Mahlon and Taya Renee Rieke.

6) Todd Mahlon Rieke
b: 9 Jan. 1968
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
dau. of:

6) Taya Renee
b: 17 June 1969
m:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:

m.
b:
d:
cause:
burial:
church:
occupation:
son of:

3) Alma Floy Metcalf
b: 5 May 1883
m: 25 Apr. 1914
d: 11 Sept. 1967
cause: Cancer
burial: Woodlawn Cem., Auburn, Ind.
church: Bible Baptist
occupation: Homemaker

m. Elmer Linos Hilkey
b: 1873
d: 27 July 1956
cause: Stroke
burial: Woodlawn Cem., Auburn, Ind.
church: Bible Baptist
occupation: Meat Cutter
son of:

Floy and Linos lived in Auburn, Indiana all of their married life. Linos worked as a meat cutter in Auburn, and Fort Wayne, for approximately twenty years. Later in life he worked for Dr. A. V. Hines. They had no children, and had few outside interests until the later years when they both became actively involved with the congregation of the Bible Baptist Church of Auburn. Floy did some baby sitting in her home. Their residence was located at 1520 S. Spratt St., Auburn, Indiana.

The Reverend Wayne E. Smith, pastor of the Bible Baptist Church in Auburn, conducted Floy's funeral. Linos died ten days after suffering a stroke. Floy's funeral was conducted from the Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home Wed. 13 Sept. 1967 at 2:00 P. M.

IDA CAROLINE (FURNISH) METCALF

Footnotes

1. Copied from a newspaper clipping obituary, paper not known.
2. Ibid

APPENDIX

HISTORICAL NOTES ON THE FURNISH NAME

The Furnish surname, like many, appears to have its origin in the place where ancestors lived in the late medieval times. There are two reported sources: (1) From living near the headland in Lancashire (a name "Furness" exists on such a promontory in that English county today). (2) From the French, "Furneaux" meaning furnaces (Latin forn-us, or oven.)

Dictionaries of names and books of genealogical information give many alternate spellings of the Furnish name such as: Furness, Furniss, Furnace, Furnass, Furnes, Fourniss, Varnish, Fornace, Furnyshe, Furneux, Furnese, Furnes and others. When doing research for this present work the Genealogist, Prudence Rodwell, discovered alternate spellings in the parish registers. One entry had no "h" in the name whil another for obviously the same person had the "h" restored.

David Furnish, my great-grandfather, came from the Suffolk area of England, and according to parish records the family had resided along the northwest border of East Suffolk for several generations. There are, however, many place names in Lancashire and Herfordshire showing that there were branches of the family there also. A "Diocese of Furness" (with a Cathedral!) was on the west coast of Lancashire.

A family in Kent, listed in Burkes Armory as, "Furnese, Furnes, or Furness," had a Coat of Arms. Members of the family of Clyde O. Furnish were given a copy o a purported "Furnish Coat of Arms" by an American research firm. No such item appears in any standard books such as Burkes. A comparison of the Kent County Furnese listing with that submitted by the research firm shows them to be identica

PEDIGREE OF DAVID FURNISH

BEDFIELD

1724 Robert Furnish and Elizabeth Calver married

BEDINGFIELD (From 1700)

1725 Aug. 15 Elizabeth, d. of Robert and Elizabeth Furnish baptised
1727 Jan. 9 William, s. of William and Elizabeth Furnish baptised
1730 Jul. 5 RICHARD, s. of William and Elizabeth Furnish baptised
1732 Jul. 2 Mary, d. of William and Elizabeth Furnish baptised
1732 Nov. 7 Mary, d. of William and Elizabeth Furnish buried
1734 Aug. 7 Francis, s. of William and Elizabeth Furnish baptised
1744 Oct. 7 William Furnish buried
1746 Mar. 15 William, base born s. of Elizabeth Furnish baptised
1754 Jan. 26 Francis, s. of Elizabeth Furnish, widow, buried
1767 Dec. 31 Elizabeth Furnish buried

DENHAM ST. JOHN

1753 Oct. 29 RICHARD FURNISH of Fressingfield and JANE MILLS of this parish married
1755 Jan. 5 James, s. of Richard and Jane Furnish baptised, of Hoxne

HOXNE

1757 Mar. 25 Jane, d. of Richard and Jane Furnish baptised
1761 May 12 John, s. of Richard and Jane Furnish baptised
1763 Apr. 24 Richard, s. of Richard and Jane Furnish baptised

DENHAM

1765 May 12 Edmund, s. of Richard and Jane Furnish baptised

BECCLES

1793 Dec. 25 Martha, d. of Edmund and Mary Furnish (late Mason,)born
1794 Jan. 7 Martha, d. of Edmond and Mary Furnish baptised
1794 Feb. 23 Martha, d. of Edmond and Mary Furnish buried
1795 Jan. 4 James & Martha, s.and d. of Edmond and Mary Furnish (late Mason) born
1795 Jan. 5 James & Martha, s. and d. of Edmond and Mary Furnish baptised

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1796 Sep. 4 Mary, d. of Edmond and Mary Furnish baptised
1798 Apr. 24 John, s. of Edmund and Mary Furnish baptised privately
1805 Apr. 10 Jane Furnish buried
1805 Oct. 27 DAVID, s. of Edmund and Mary Furnish (late Mason), baptised, born 19th
1809 Mar. 20 Richard Furnish buried aged 77 years

ISSUE OF DAVID FURNISH

&

MARY CAROLINE DAVIS

1.	William Henry	b:	21 Sept. 1834	d:	19 Jan. 1904	age	70
		m:	23 Jan. 1863				
	1) Eva Watson	b:	8 Dec. 1840	d:	8 Sept. 1874	"	34
		m:	6 Jan. 1885				
	2) Ada Esther Sawyer	b:	13 Dec. 1865	d:	11 Dec. 1930	"	65
2.	Thomas Edward	b:	9 Aug. 1836	d:	2 June 1900	"	64
		m:	17 Nov. 1863				
	Caroline Cuppy	b:	11 Apr. 1832	d:	5 July 1904	"	72
3.	Mary Ann	b:	13 July 1838	d:	25 Apr. 1894	"	56
		m:	17 Mar. 1859				
	David Shearer	b:	30 Nov. 1834	d:	12 Apr. 1921	"	87
4.	Nancy Elizabeth	b:	18 Sept. 1840	d:	28 Jan. 1915	"	75
		m:					
	Wm. Harkless Brown	b:	23 Dec. 1837	d:	1 Sept. 1914	"	77
5.	John Luther	b:	19 July 1842	d:	28 Nov. 1917	"	75
		m:	25 Apr. 1872				
	Dora A. Dorsey	b:	10 Feb. 1845	d:	31 Dec. 1932	"	86
6.	Abraham Myers	b:	10 Jan. 1845	d:	24 Nov. 1924	"	79
		m:	6 Apr. 1876				
	1) Rebecca Beams	b:	11 Mar. 1851	d:	13 July 1880	"	29
		m:	29 Dec. 1881				
	2) Eliza Beams	b:	16 Aug. 1850	d:	22 Mar. 1891	"	41
		m:	27 Nov. 1892				
	3) Silvia E. Shutt	b:	31 Mar. 1868	d:	20 May 1943	"	75
7.	Margaret Jane	b:	21 Jan. 1847	d:	17 July 1934	"	87
		m:	10 Apr. 1873				
	Wm. David Hollabaugh	b:	24 July 1847	d:	4 Jan. 1936	"	89
8.	James Madison	b:	26 Jan. 1849	d:	15 Sept. 1924	"	75
		m:	13 May 1880				
	Ida Alice Steward	b:	16 Jan. 1849	d:	16 Dec. 1906	"	57
9.	Martha L	b:	7 Feb. 1852	d:	16 May 1927	"	75
		m:	2 Nov. 1877				
	Isaac Grosh	b:	17 Jan. 1843	d:	4 Jan. 1920	"	77
10.	Ida Caroline	b:	16 Jan. 1857	d:	17 Dec. 1918	"	61
		m:	20 Feb. 1877				
	Edward D. Metcalf	b:	10 Oct. 1851	d:	May 1920	"	69

CONCLUSIONS

Listed below are the number of descendants for each of the ten children of David and Mary Caroline (Davis) Furnish.

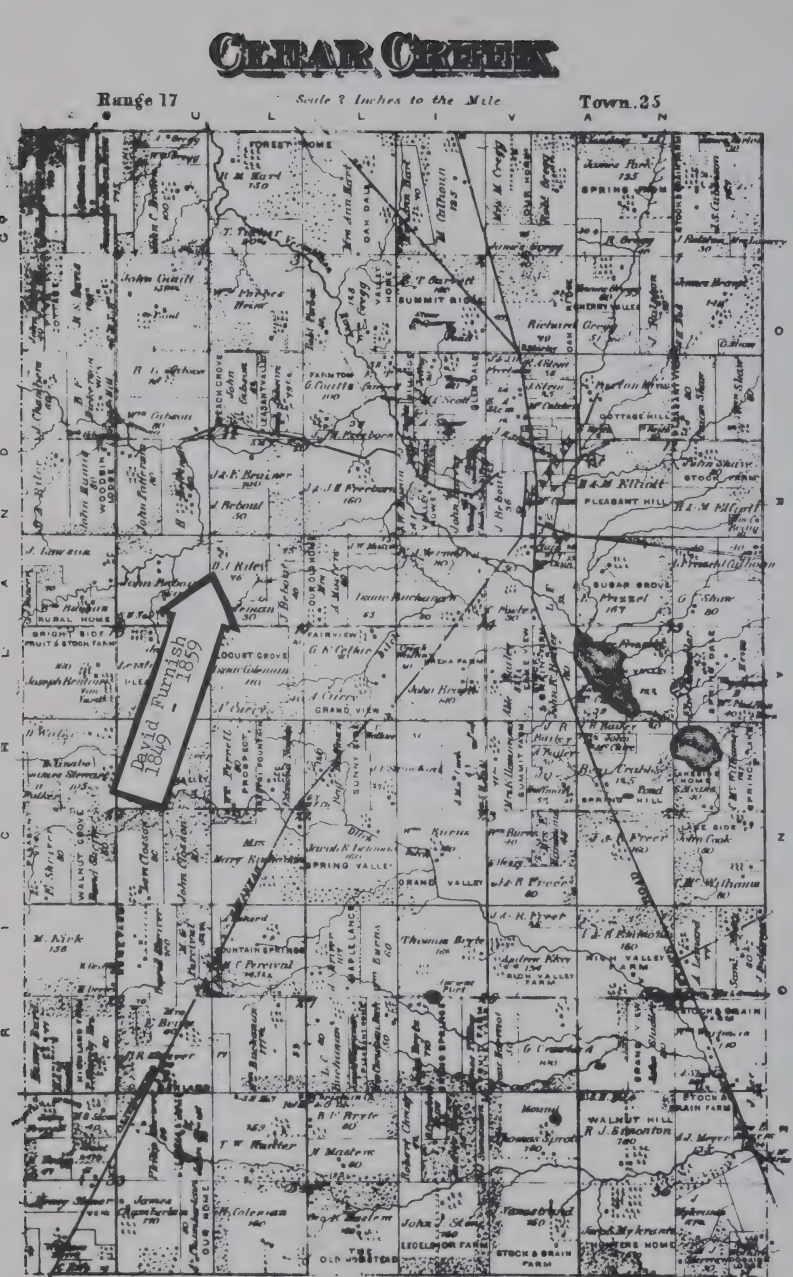
1.	William Henry Furnish	181
	his adopted son Stephen Douglas Furnish	14
2.	Thomas Edward Furnish	10
3.	Mary Ann (Furnish) Shearer	50
4.	Nancy Elizabeth (Furnish) Brown	104
5.	John Luther Furnish	30
6.	Abraham Myers Furnish	106
7.	Margaret Jane (Furnish) Hollabaugh	47
8.	James Madison Furnish	102
9.	Martha L. (Furnish) Grosh	75
10.	Ida Caroline (Furnish) Metcalf	12
	Total	731

Listed below are the number of males listed who bear the name of FURNISH and the Furnish son they are descendants of:

1.	William	11	(3 of which are descendants of S. Douglas F.)
2.	Thomas	0	
3.	John	7	
4.	Abraham	7	
5.	James	7	
	Total	32	(Living as of January 1977)

CLEAR CREEK

Range 17 — Scale 2 Inches to the Mile — Town. 25



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Robert E. Williams, Farmer, Grain and Stock Raiser, Sec. 29. Settled, 1854. P. O. Ashland.

R. J. Stevenson, Farmer, Grain and Stock Raiser, Sec. 26. Settled, 1850. P. O. Ashland.

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Journal August Term. Monday August 25th 1836.

Monday. Morning August 25th A.D. 1836.

Court met pursuant to adjournment present same Judge as on Friday.

On Motion Edward Henry Theodore Worler, John Kriling, Peter Kipp Martin Hoover, George Frederick Keisler, Anthony Dearinger, Natives of Germany. Adam Beck & John Simmons Natives of France, Simon Boly & John Eshelman Natives of Switzerland and David Furnish a Native of England. all free white Males over the age of twenty one years, this day appeared in open Court. and proved to the Satisfaction of the Court. that they had in all respects complied with the law regulating Naturalization. It is ordered that they be admitted to all the rights and privileges as Citizens of the United States. Thereupon the Said Edward H. T. Worler, John Kriling, Peter Kipp, Martin Hoover, Geo. F. Keisler Anthony Dearinger, Adam Beck, John Simmons, Simon Boly, John Eshelman and David Furnish each Severally appeared in open Court and made oath that they would support the Constitution of the United States, and that they would forever renounce and abjure all allegiance to every foreign Prince Potentate, State, King or Sovereignty whatever, and particularly to the Several Kingdoms & Republics of which they were formerly Subjects.

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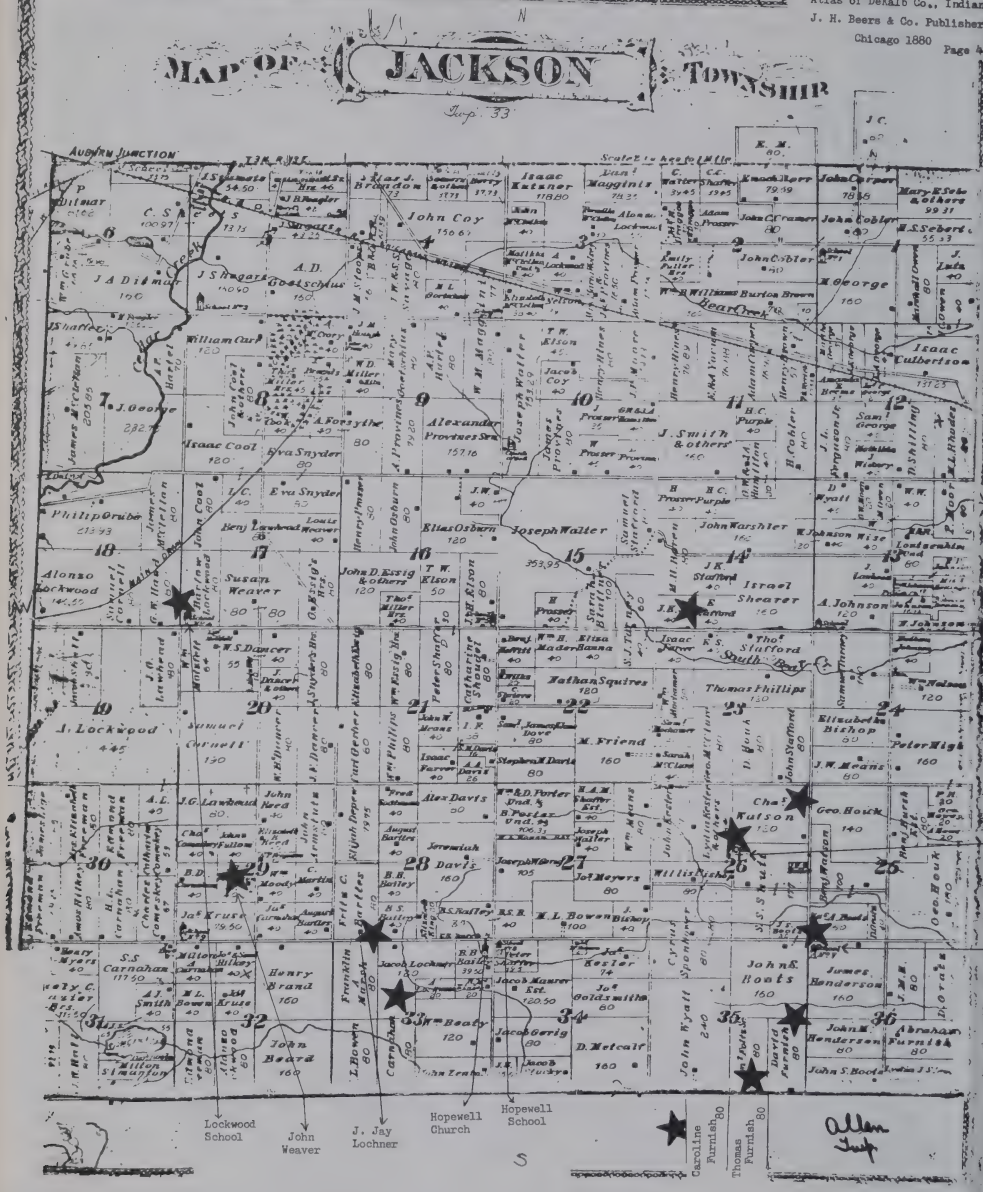

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Dated St Joe Ind

To Wm Furnish

Fowler

Mich

Father is not expected to live

James Furnish

Will Furnish lived six miles from St. Johns and four miles from Fowler, near the border that divided the two postal lines. They really picked up their mail at Shepardsville, but had a St. Johns address.

Hursh, Ind., March 23/87

Dear Brother

As we are not in enmity with you so we reply to yours which we received the 22 Inst. though the news are very painful to give I can scarcely write for tears the news are so sad.

Our Dear Beloved Mother has gone to her long home to live with God in Heaven. Where sickness sorrow pain and death are felt no more. But where all tears are wiped away. Her illness was of short duration of about 14 hours. Took with paralysis at 6 o'clock Friday morning last. Died at 8 o'clock on the evening of the same day. Was unconscious about 12 hours. Her funeral took place on Sunday at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Sermon preached at the house by the Rev. Shafer.

Brother we sent E. & I Metcalf to Auburn to the Curies office to see if you took the paper so we could send you a dispatch but failed to find your whereabouts.

Sister Mary and Nancy and Will Shearer came out but to late to see Mother alive. Will stay till Saturday.

I dismiss those sorrowful thoughts for the present.

Fathers health is about as usual only is older and more feebler than he was when you was here. The rest of the friends are all well. We saw Adella and Frank at the funeral, they were well. Adella is married to a Mr. Peter Loghner they have a daughter about one year old.

Adella has a very good husband.

Brother: will you please excuse us for this time and let us hear from you soon and we will answer. We remain your friends

I. and M. Grosh
Hursh P. O.
Allen Co., Ind.

P. S.

Dear Brother I wish that we would of got your letter a little sooner so we could of got you word about our Dear Mother as we wished that you could of been here. She often spoke of you and wondered why you didn't write. But let us try and live right so we can meet our Dear Mother in heaven where parting is no more. When are you coming out? Well I guess that I will have to stop for this time but will try and write more the next time so good-bye write soon. We remain as ever your Brother & Sister, Ike and Mat Grosh. The children are all well and gotten quite big. Write soon.

You will find the text in the 7th chapter of Rev. from the 13-17 verses.

(Copied from the letter written to William H. Furnish, concerning his Mother's death. From his sister and brother-in-law, Martha (Furnish) & Isaac (Ike) Grosh.) It was sent to Fowler, Michigan. Their address was St. Johns, but they picked up their mail at Shepardsville.

Spencerville, Ind.
Feb. 13, 1889

Dear Brother and family:

We received your long looked for letter last night learning that you had not learned of poor old Father's death. I will answer at once.

Father took sick on Sunday evening, before Christmas and died on Christmas day at three minutes before ten o'clock in the morning. He had Neuralga of the heart on Monday. We sent you and all the rest of the family a dispatch concerning father and not hearing anything from you I did not know where to write to inform you of the sad news.

We kept Father until Friday, expecting some of his children, but none came. David Shearer and Will came, Ida did not get here until he had passed over the dark river. He was sensible until the very last. His suffering was great until a while before he passed away. Just before he died he whispered "sweet Jesus".

Abe is appointed administrator. He sent you a sale bill. He sent it to Fowler so I will send you one. I close at present.

J. M. F.

Copied from the letter James M. Furnish sent to his brother William H. Furnish and family concerning their father's death.

Abraham M. Furnish Adm.

PUBLIC SALE!

I will offer at public auction at the late residence of David Furnish on

SATURDAY FEB 16 1889.

The following property to-wit.

One Buggy, one Single Harness, one set Double Harness, one Plow, three Iron Kettles, one Fanning Mill, one Bureau, two sets Chairs, two Rockers, one Bed Lounge, one Bed-stead, and Springs, two Feather-beds and Bed-cloths, one Stand, one Clock. Other articles too numerous to mention.

Cyrus Sponhour, salesman. A. M. Furnish.
Adm.

Information on the David Furnish Farm in Ashland County, Ohio

July 4, 1845 David Furnish purchased from A. F. Shaw and his wife Mary Jane Shaw twenty-five (25) acres of land located in Section 15, Township 25, (Clear Creek Twp.), Range 17, being a part of the N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 15, in Ashland County, Ohio. The amount "to them in hand paid" was $275.00.

September 20, 1859, this above property was sold back to A. F. Shaw and Mary Jane Shaw, by David Furnish, and M. Caroline Furnish for the sum of $1000.00. It was recorded July 4, 1860.

In November 1973, the above property was part of the farm now owned by Martin Eubank. His sister, the former Mary Eubank is married to I. Grant White. Grant is a grandson of Nancy Elizabeth (Furnish) Brown (Mrs. William Harkless Brown.)

A branch of the Clear Creek runs through the corner of the property once owned by David and Caroline Furnish, as well as there is a spring that still flows, near where the buildings once stood. (Observe Map of Clear Creek Twp., 1874 Atlas.)

INFORMATION FROM THE ABSTRACT OF THE DAVID FURNISH FARM ON COUNTY LINE ROAD
Jackson Township, DeKalb County, Indiana

24 April 1820, first date noted, porbably laid out at that time

24 November 1824 to Uriah Marvin

13 August 1836 Fanny Ann Marvin registered land at land office in Fort Wayne

1 July 1860 dated deed to DAVID FURNISH for $800.00 This was the East ½ of S. E. ¼ Sec. 35, Twp. 33, North Range 13, 80 acres.

8 Aug. 1887 to James M. Furnish and recorded 11 August 1887 for $3400.00
15 Sept. 1924 James died and left no Will.

9 June 1934 Sudie (Furnish) Howey sold her share to her brother David Furnish

10 June 1934 Ralph Furnish sold his share to his brother David Furnish

4 April 1951 Francis and Verda Graber bought the farm from David Furnish, assessed valuation $3510.00.

This ended the old original Furnish farm from being in the Furnish family. It had been the "FURNISH FARM" for 91 years.

James Furnish built a new house in 1896,(8 years after his father's death), and in the peak of the roof on a bronze plate is the date 1896. James' brothers, Abraham and Thomas built red brick homes the same year.

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